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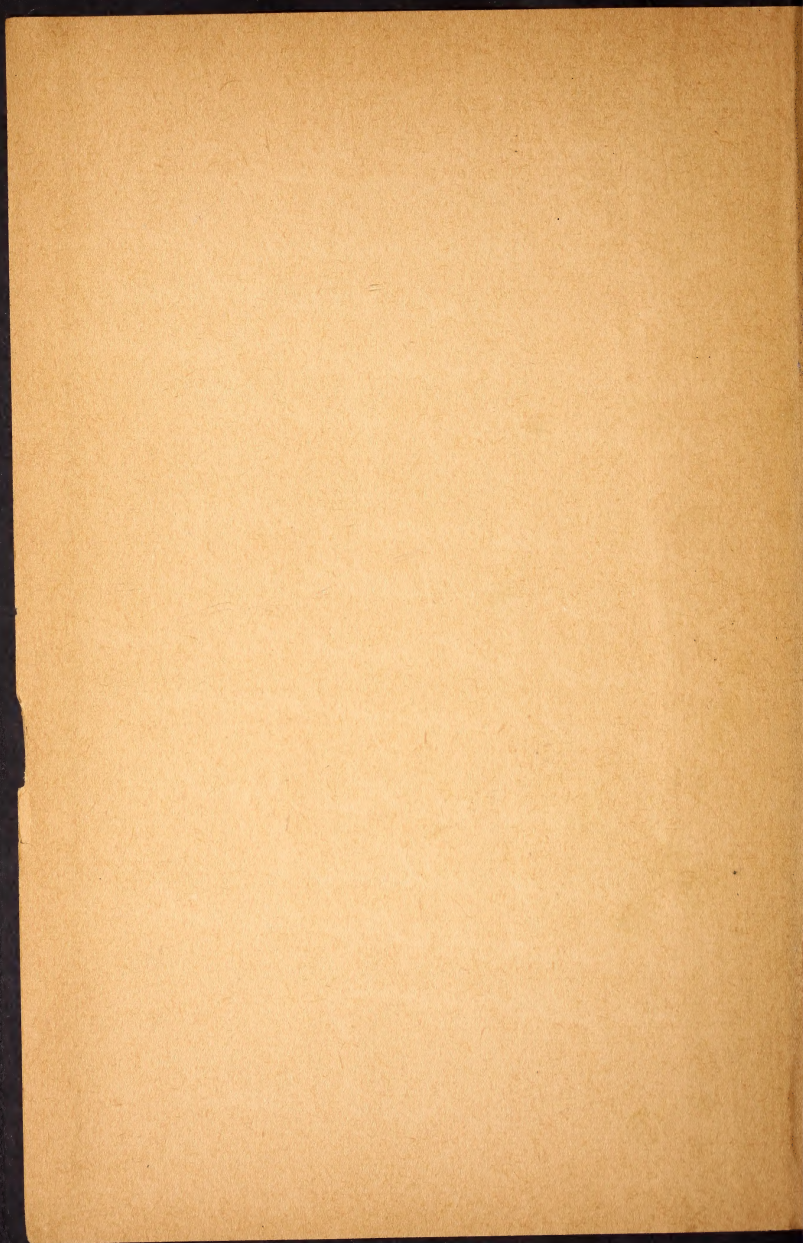


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Alice Winifred O'Connor

December 27. 1954.



Ambivalence

Had I been more a Martha
With none of Mary's heart,
I might have swept ^{and} garnished
With something of an art.

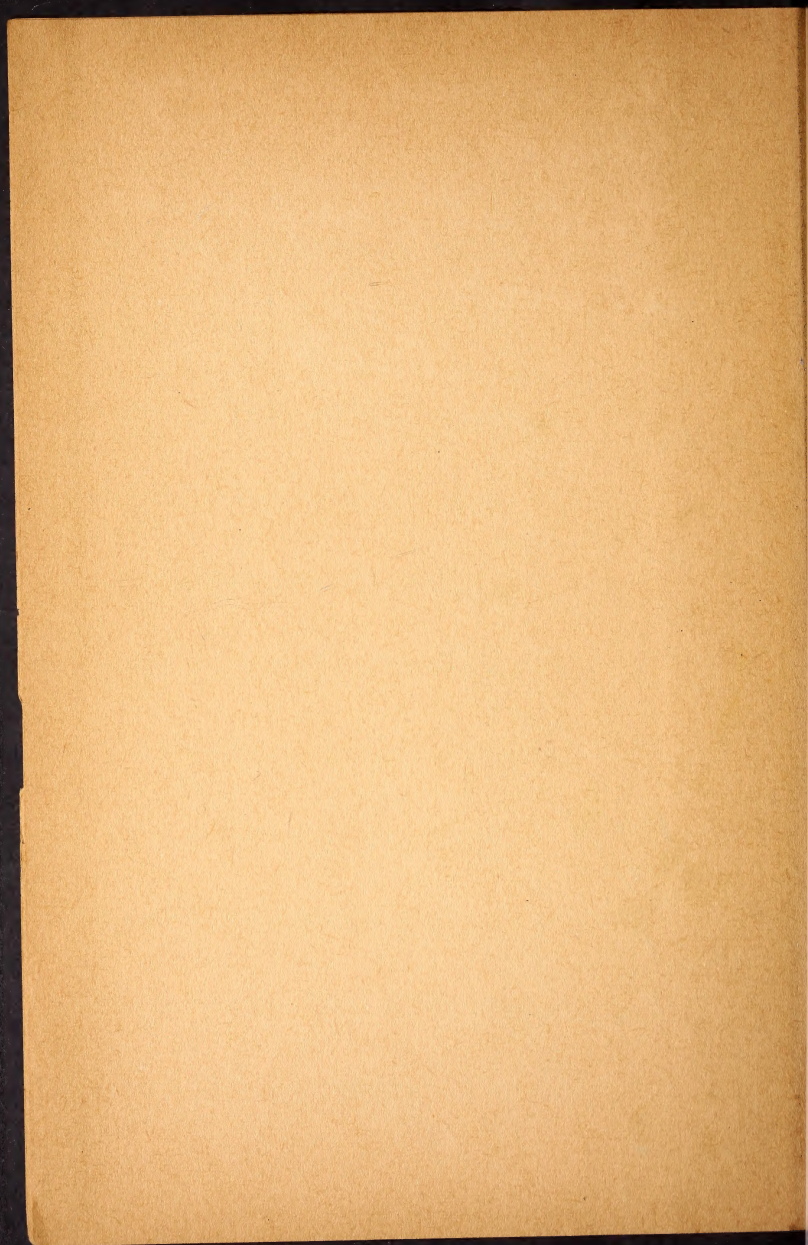
Had I been more of Mary
With less of Martha's way,
I should not mind the cobwebs
Nor what the neighbors pay.

But I am neither Martha
Nor Mary, utterly:
I sit and watch the cobwebs
In helpless misery.

by Jill O' Nam

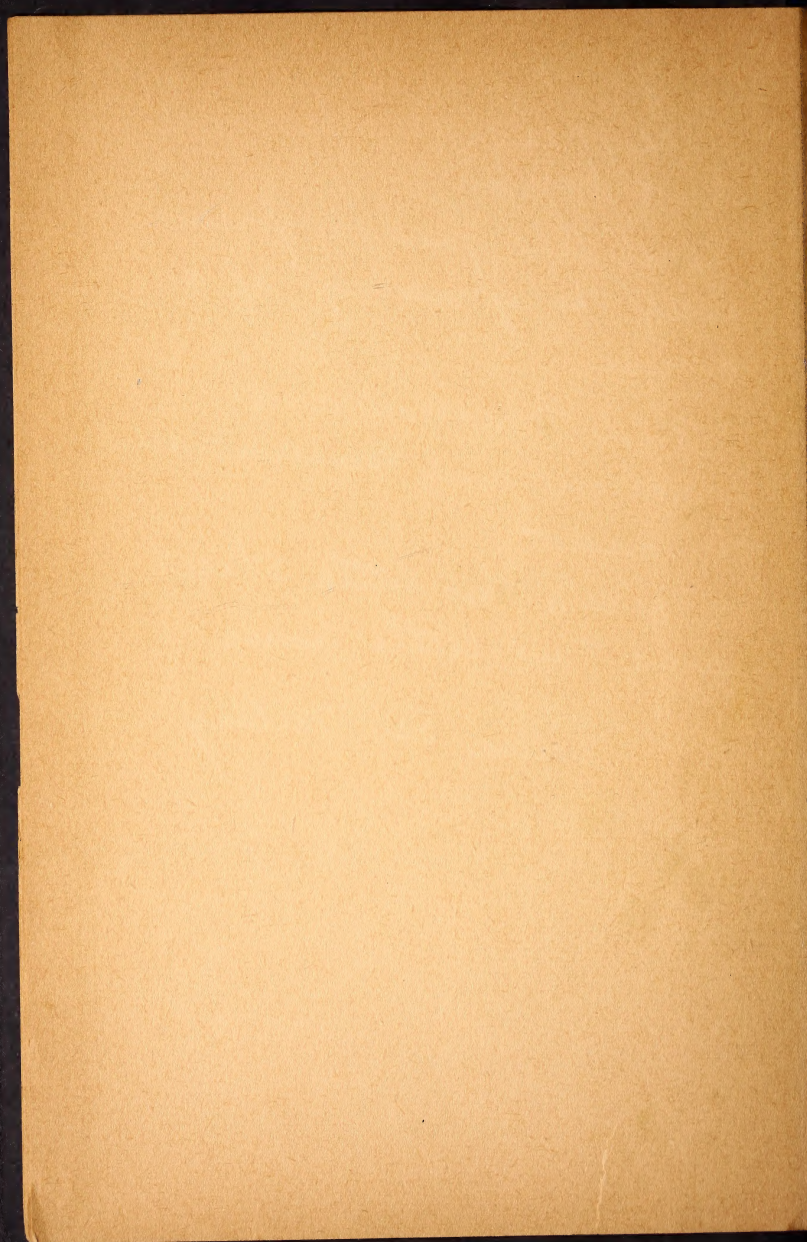
Integrity

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.... He turned an easy
wheel,
That set sharp racks
at work.

Keats



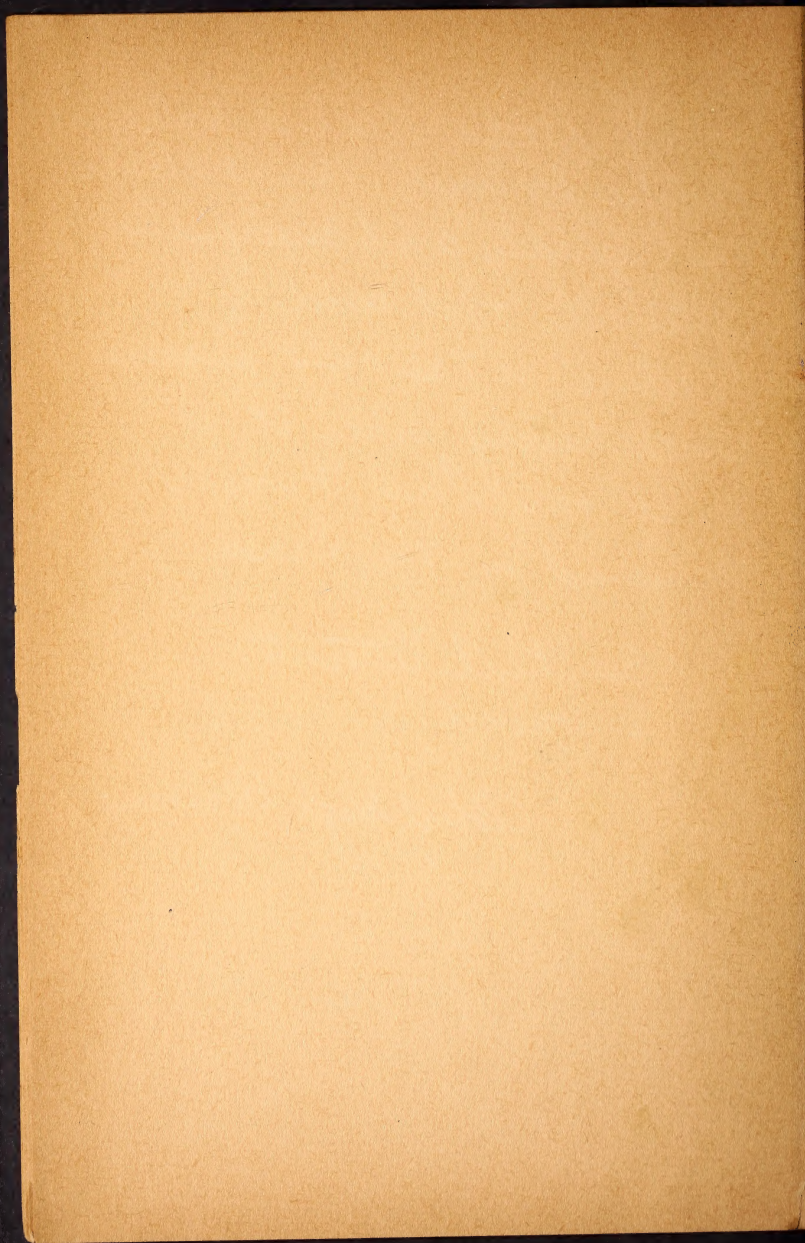
The neighbors knock
and burrow.

And life goes on forever
like the gnawing of a
mouse.

And tomorrow and
tomorrow and tomorrow and
tomorrow

There's this little street
and this little house

Edna S. Millay.



If God's Will is continual
failure for you, then embrace
that gladly and cheerfully.
After all, that kind of
"failure" is the only success
worth having since it is
what our Lord Himself
achieved in The Cross.

Spiritual Letters to
a Convert.

Robert Hugh Benson



'Tis the void chain our
purest quest receives,
'Tis lips long cold that
give the warmest kiss,
'Tis the lost voice comes
oftenest to our ears;
We count our rosary by
the beads we miss.

J. R. Lowell.



Experience had taught
me what the Christmastide
is to hearts that have
suffered human loss: a
time simply to be borne,
to be gotten through with in
as brave a spirit as possible, -
a day when the tears, at
other times rare, rush unbidden
to the eyes that seek in vain
among joyous throngs for the
one who alone could make
Christmas in the heart.

A Year Out of Life

M. E. Waller



Bells Across the Snow

O Christmas! merry Christmas.
Is it really come again,
With its memories and greetings
With its joy and its pain?

There's a minor in the carol,
And a shadow in the light,
And a spray of cypress twining
With the holly wreath to-night.
And the hush is never broken
By laughter light and low
As we listen in the starlight
To the "bells across the snow."

O Christmas, merry Christmas!
'Tis not so very long
Since other voices blended,
With the carol and the song
If we could hear them singing
As they are singing now.
If we could but see the radiance
Of the crown on each dear brow
There would be no sigh to smother
No hidden tear to flow
As we listen in the starlight
To the "bells across the snow."

O Christmas, merry Christmas
This never more can be
We cannot bring again the days
Of our unshadowed glee.

But ~~happy~~ Christmas happy
Christmas

Sweet herald of good will,
With holy songs of glory.

Brings holy gladness still.

For peace and love may brighten
And patient love may glow

As we listen in the twilight
To the "bells across the snow!"

Frances Ridley Havergal



We must understand
our differences and
appreciate our different
ideals

Bruno Lasker



Where forlorn sunsets
flare and fade
On desolate sea and
lonely sand;
Out of the silence and the
shade
What is the voice of strange
Command
Calling you still, as friend
calls friend,
With love that cannot brook
delay
To rise and follow the ways
that wend
Over the hills and far away.

W. E. Henley.

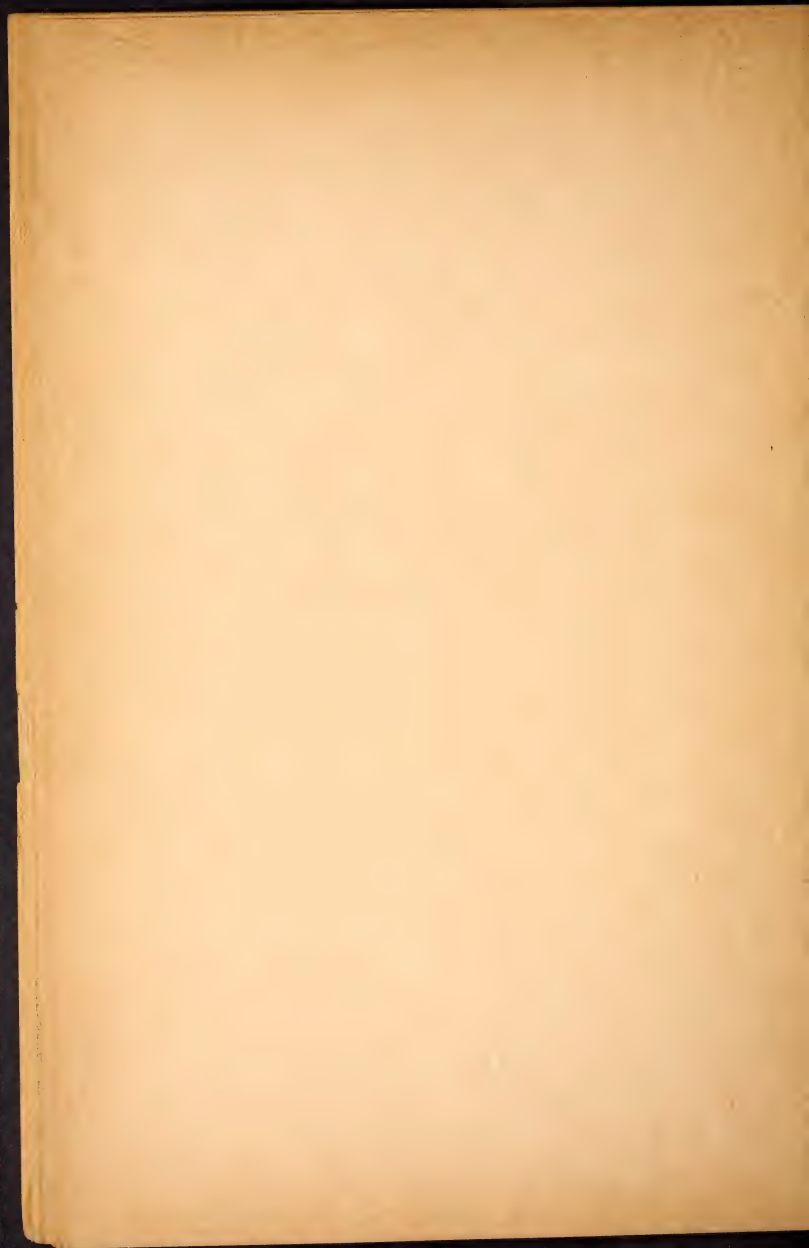




Prejudice is a social
habit not a social law.

To men and women of
good will the world is
too full of jobs to be done,
of purposes to be accomplished,
to excuse the perpetuation of
bad habits.

Mildred McAfee

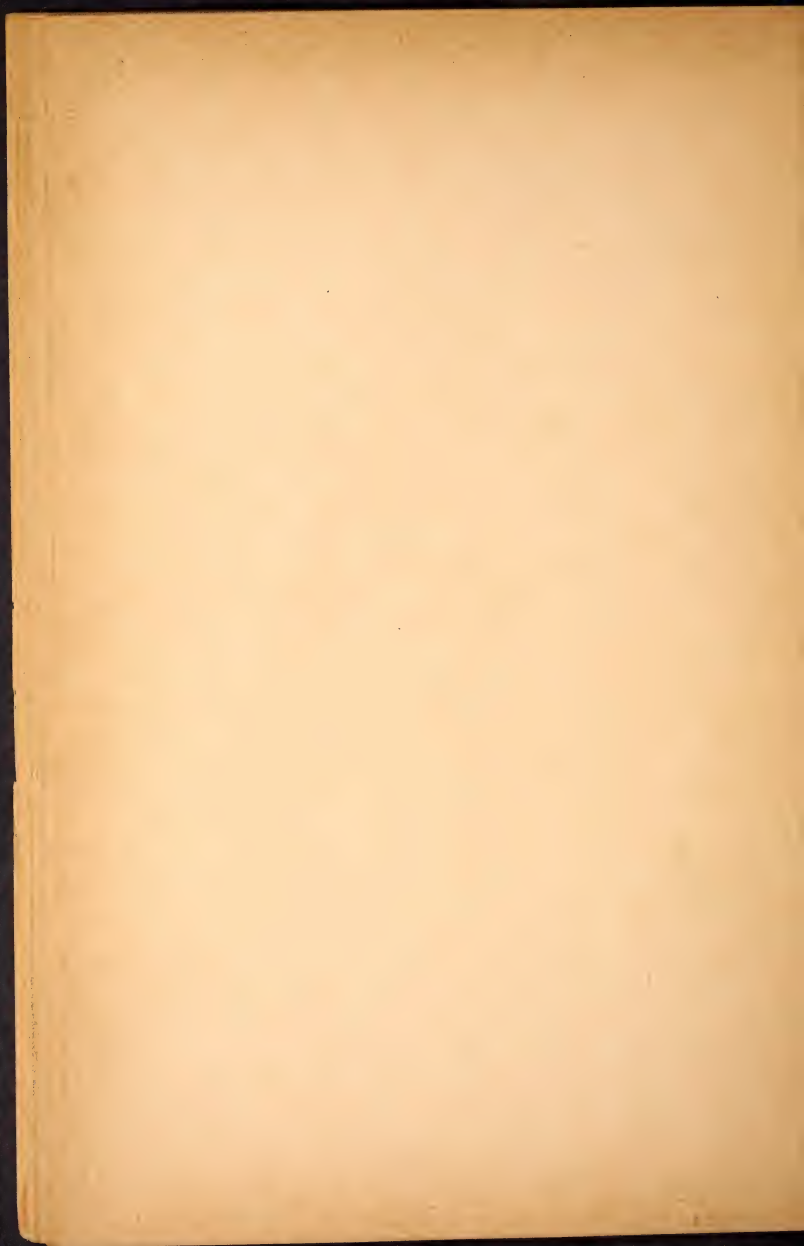


They change their
climate, not their
disposition, who run
beyond the sea.

To Bullatius

Horace

line 27



Although a curious
modern attitude confuses
frankness with strength,
any survey of the classics
will prove that the great
masters understood both
the power and dignity
of restraint

E. W.



Communism.
Fascism and
Nazism are
waves of the past.
They are broken
promises. They are
bleasted hopes.
They are sacred
trusts betrayed.

R. H. Markham

The Wave of the Past.



Nobody is really born to be a
maiden aunt. In order to develop
into a good maiden aunt I think you
have to begin life like any body else,
born for a fine destiny full of hope
and passion. Then you must have
encountered some physical injury,
heartbreak or fatal misunderstanding
which made it seem necessary to
withdraw your hope and hide
your passion and stand aside
in the wings and watch others
who have been given real parts
in the play.

These discarded people make
the best, the only true and
valuable maiden aunts.

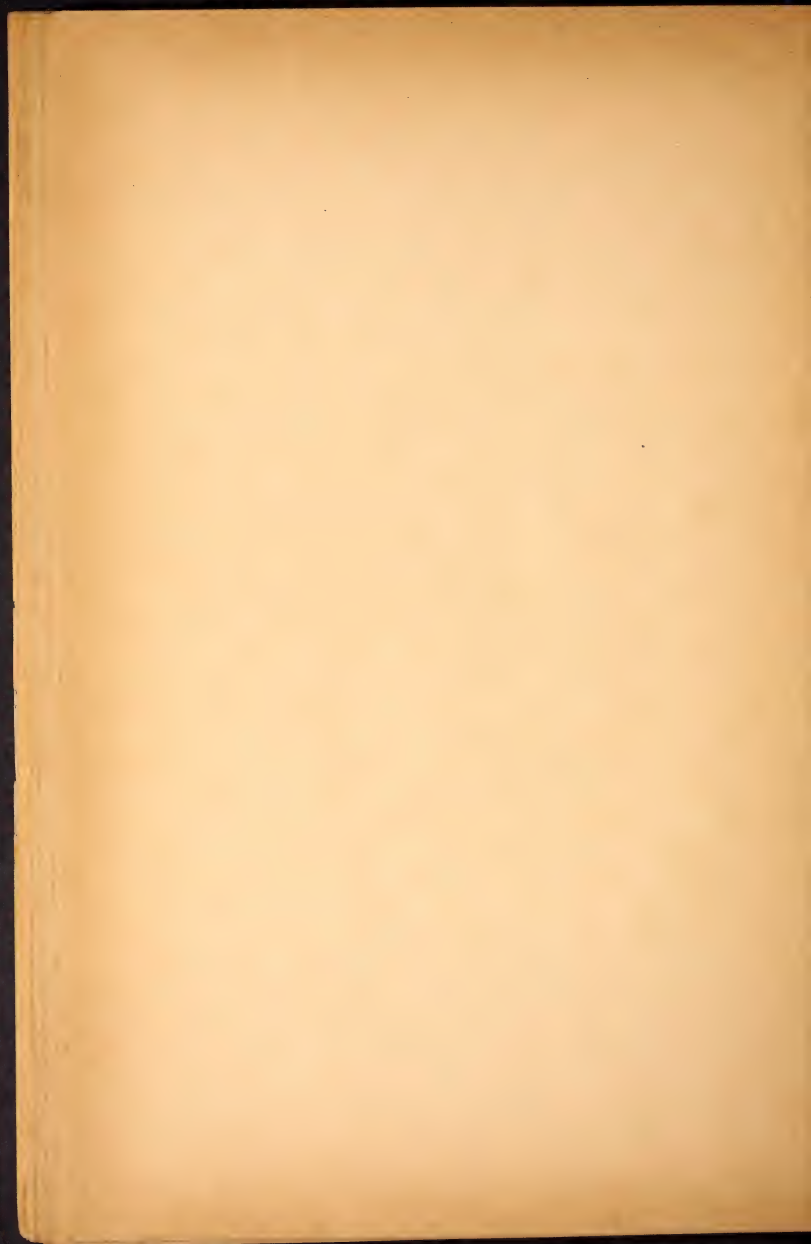
The Little Locksmith.
Katharine Butler Hathaway.



If a man be Gracious
and Courteous to Strangers.
it shewes he is a Citizen of
the World; and that his
Heart is no Island, cut
off from other Lands. but
is a Continent that joyne
them.

Francis Bacon

Of Goodness &
Goodness in Nature



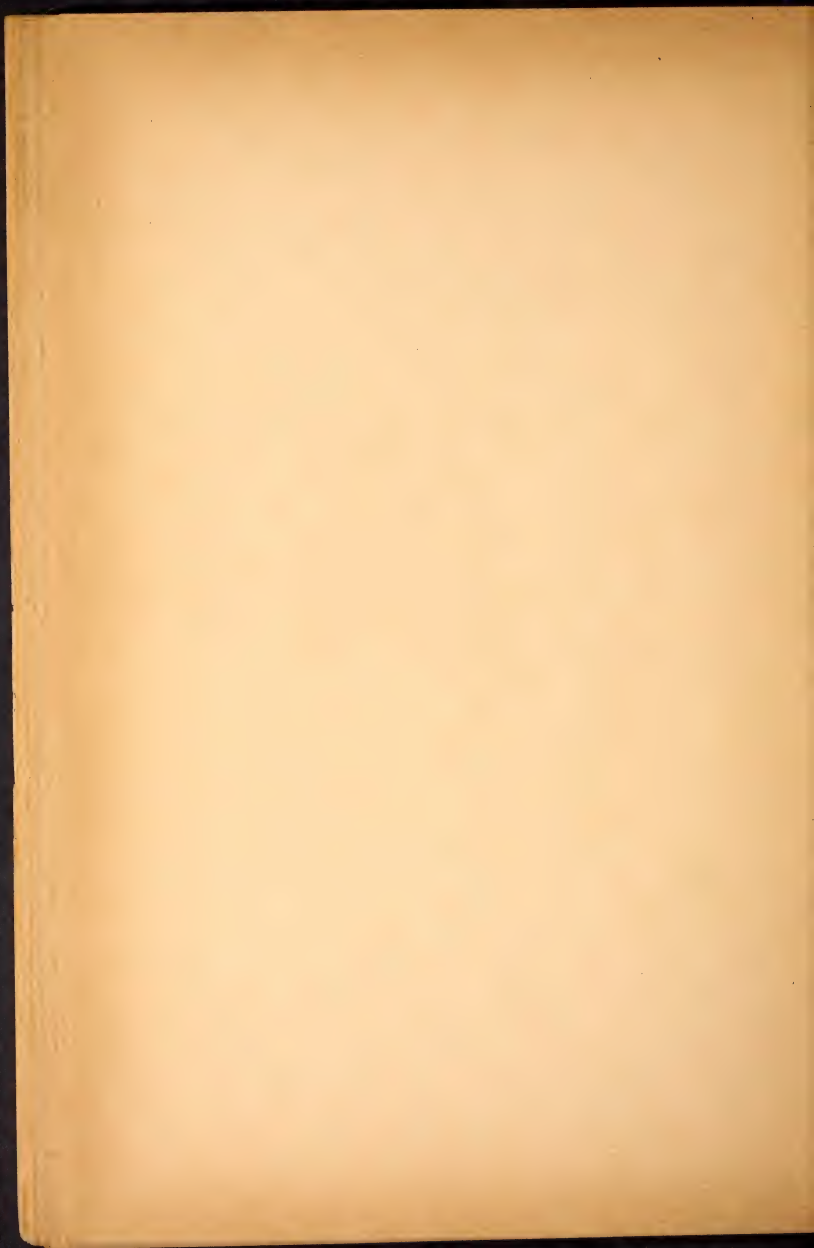
Democracy is not a status,
but a process. Democracy
is not a station, but a
road. Democracy is
pilgrim's progress.

The Wave of the Past.
R. H. Markham.



I do not begrudge
America its happy
hours, but I realize
that of all the countries
in the world, America
has the greatest fear
of sorrow.

Isabel de Palencia



A Choice of Weapons

Sticks and stones are
hard on bones.

Armed with angry art
Words can sting like anything
But silence breaks the heart.

E.





Notes on Retreat at
Cenacle - Father O'Brien S.J.

Saints who were unattractive:

The little Flower - tubercular
St. Benedict Labre - The "lousy" saint

Cure D'Ars -- "no one could live
in house with him"

St. Louis Gonzaga - "Brother L. B.
did not go to the
Picnic 'Desgratias'"

- comments from contemporaries

Religion is not a thing of the
emotions - but the will;
not the nerves but the
understanding.

Thought build your model
and make your model



Comments - cont'd
the House at Nazareth.

Interior spent
30 years preparation for 3 yrs.
exterior activity

Nazareth -
fathomless humility
complete washing out of self

Are we willing to let others go
ahead?

Really willing?

Do you really rejoice at good
fortune of others?

- or are "angelic book keepers
loafing on the job"

Are we sincerely glad when
some one else is honored?

Humility - unselfishness
a great part of it



Comments - cont'd

Are you saddened to
see affection go to other
people?

The less you have the
freer you are to serve
God. Make God
every thing because

"The Lord giveth
and the Lord taketh away"

No one has any right to us
but God.

Humility is self forgetfulness
and surrender to the will of God.



Comments - cont'd

"Misunderstood"

"unappreciated" are
the handles the devil
takes toward the good.
Blessed are the cocksure because
they are so comfortable.

Self approval - self satisfaction...
God always pushes them down
on their knees

Proud in mind and in
heart always resist God

Religion is not a
question of feeling



Comment - cont'd
but of understanding.

Prayer is not limited
by our understanding.

Grace is not an
evolution of our own
excellence.

No one develops himself
into a saint - God does that.

All we can do is remove
barriers

no such thing as good by
our own power.

Profound sense of dependence
on God.



Comments - cont'd

Develop the individual
for the individual's
sake is the watchword
of American life but in
Roman Catholic doctrine
the individual is perfected
only for the corporate
worship of God.

The kindest people are
of theatrical profession +
yet they are not
conspicuous for morality
God is tremendously merciful
to impure on death beds.
Death beds are difficult for
thoroughly respectable who
harbor hatred.



Comments - cont'd

Christ was exceedingly
sharp to hypocrites -
to "the respectable people"

Err thru human weakness -
go down thru human frailty
but keep alive charity

By the ladder of charity,
creep to the feet of God
and beg forgiveness

Are your soul is paved,
what then?

What will you do when
you get to Heaven -
sit on a cloud, twang
on a harp?



Comment - cont'd
Heaven a place to have
what you didn't have
here?

"Fish fry and good cigar"

Souls go first
Bodies will be glorified
Soul { memory
understanding
will

For all eternity we go on

knowing } God
loving }
serving }

all eternity to love the
knowledge of God.

If you are saved, your



Comment (cont'd)

work is only beginning

Death is not the end.

Heaven is only the
beginning. This is only

The ante chamber of life.

Absolute harmony with
God in heaven

Humility - a sense
of the greatness of God.

Prayer is not congratulating
God on his creation of

us.

(S.K. p. - for clean paper)



Life is a place of service
and in that service one
has to suffer a great deal
that is hard to bear, but
more often to experience a
great deal of joy. But
that joy can be real only
if people look upon their
life as a service, and have
a definite object in life
outside themselves and their
personal happiness

Tolstoi



Comments on
Maxim of St Francis de
Sales—

"Ask nothing -
refuse nothing"
is a simple rule for
mortification

Life at Nazareth model
of spiritual life

Solemnity isn't Catholic
The cross occupied 3 or 4 hrs
4 hrs. out of 33 years
The Passion not quite 2 1/2 hrs
2 1/2 hrs. out of 33 yrs

"Who having joy set before
Him, despised the pain"

Joy is an essential in
our work and in our



Comment - cont'd
lives as Catholics.

Next to serving God
the next best thing
is serving a human
being.

Work for itself amounts
to zero - work valuable
only as service to human race.
Serve as generously and
as perfectly as we can.

Life has become
very easy.

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Fall Change

I do not know what color any leaf
Became that Fall; I think that they were
gold
And red; but I, beset by blinding grief
Could not have told.

How could it matter if the sky was
blue?

How ~~it~~ could it matter if the leaves
were red

and gold? One thing, and one alone
I knew;

That you were dead

This Fall The leaves are red and gold,
once more

I gaze with pleasure, but I do not stare
with passion, as I did in days before
I could not see.

Jane Merchant.

Washington Star



Your father & mother
had penance regent at
hand - stern self denial
was demanded of them.

We must find ways of
self denial - practice
useful privation

Aim at the spot of our
greatest weakness -

pride → humility

avarice → generosity

sensuality → privation

"Life is my own" - it is not.
It is God's. Live our
lives God's way.

If we go on living interior
life of intensity, mortified
& devout life, the spirit
of Nazareth, will come
into our lives.



Comments - cont'd

The spirit that gave light
to the blind, raised
dead to life.

Power born in silent
years of Nazareth







Control your emotions
by your actions

William James



To feel cheerful,
sit up cheerfully, look
around cheerfully and
act as if cheerfulness
were already there

William James



Gaze no more in the
bitter glass

The demons, with their
subtle guile

Lift up before us when
they pass.

Or only gaze a little while...

For all things turn to barrenness...

The tender eyes grow all unkind;

Gaze no more in the bitter glass

Yeats













Still throu our paltry strife
and strife
Glow down the wished Ideal
And Longing moulds in clay what
Life
Carves in marble Real;

To let the new life in, we know
Desire must open the portal;
Perhaps the longing to be so
Helps make the soul immortal.

James Russell Lowell

Longing



No Ceet will ever be entirely
rational. He will never
feel completely happy without
a little sadness, without
a cause to fight for that he
knows will probably end in
failure.

Virginia S Ridley

Tu lascerai ogni
cosa diletta più
caramente.

"Thou shalt leave
behind everything
beloved most dearly."

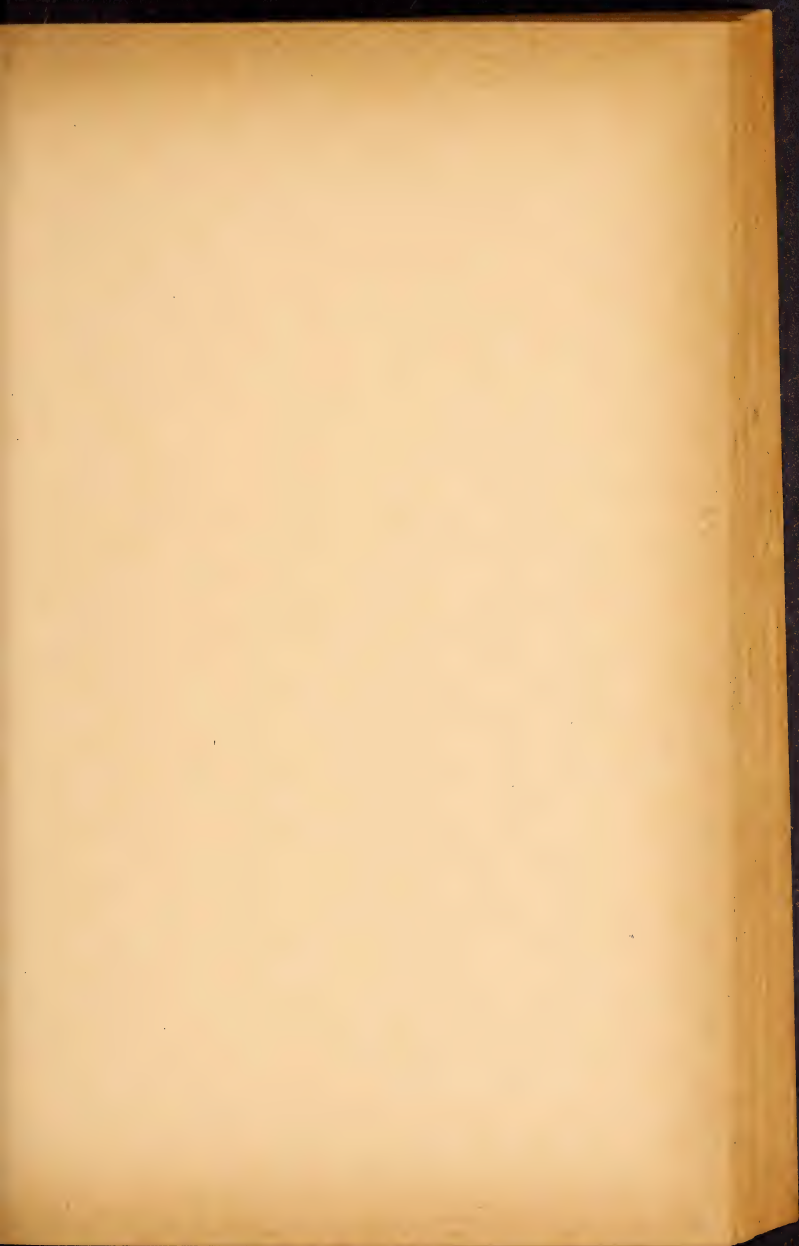
Dante

Tu proverai sì come
sa di sale lo pane
altrui, e como e
duro calle lo scendere
e l'andar per altrui
scale

Thou shalt experience
how salt with tears doth
taste another's head
or to climb another's
stairs how ~~for~~ hard a
path

Dante

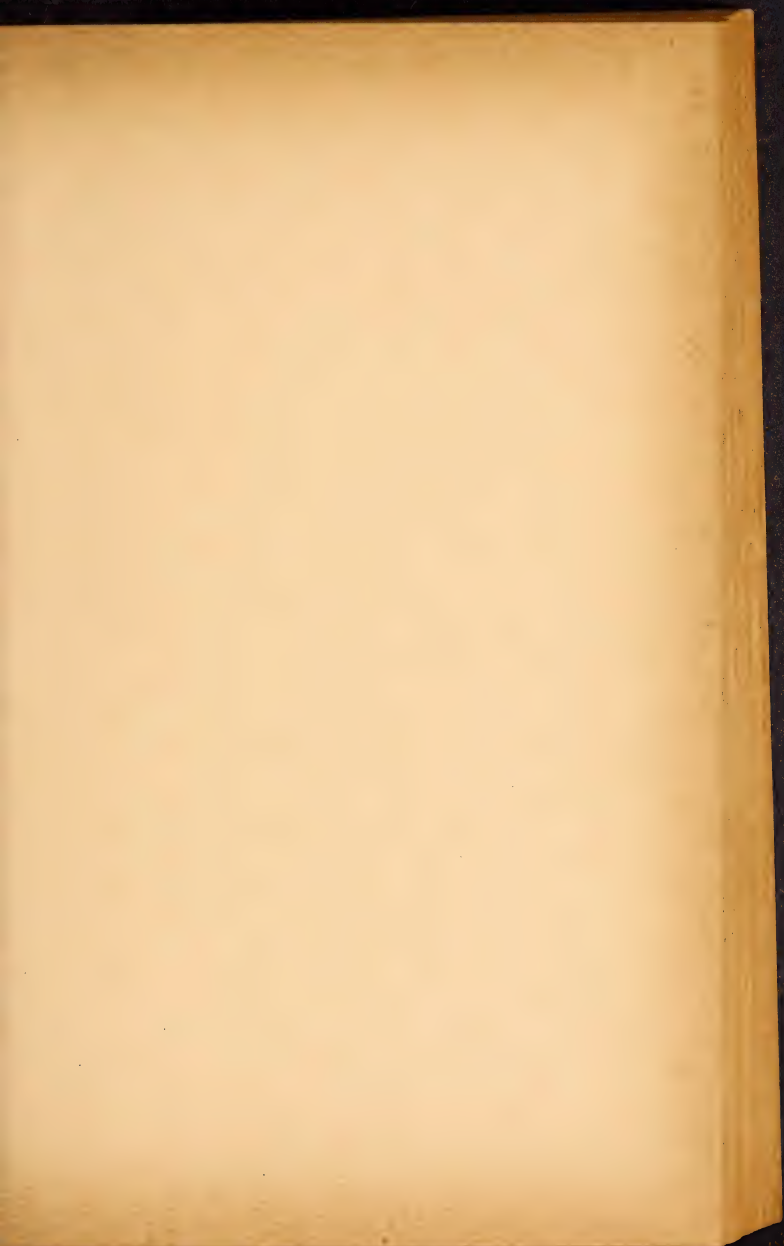




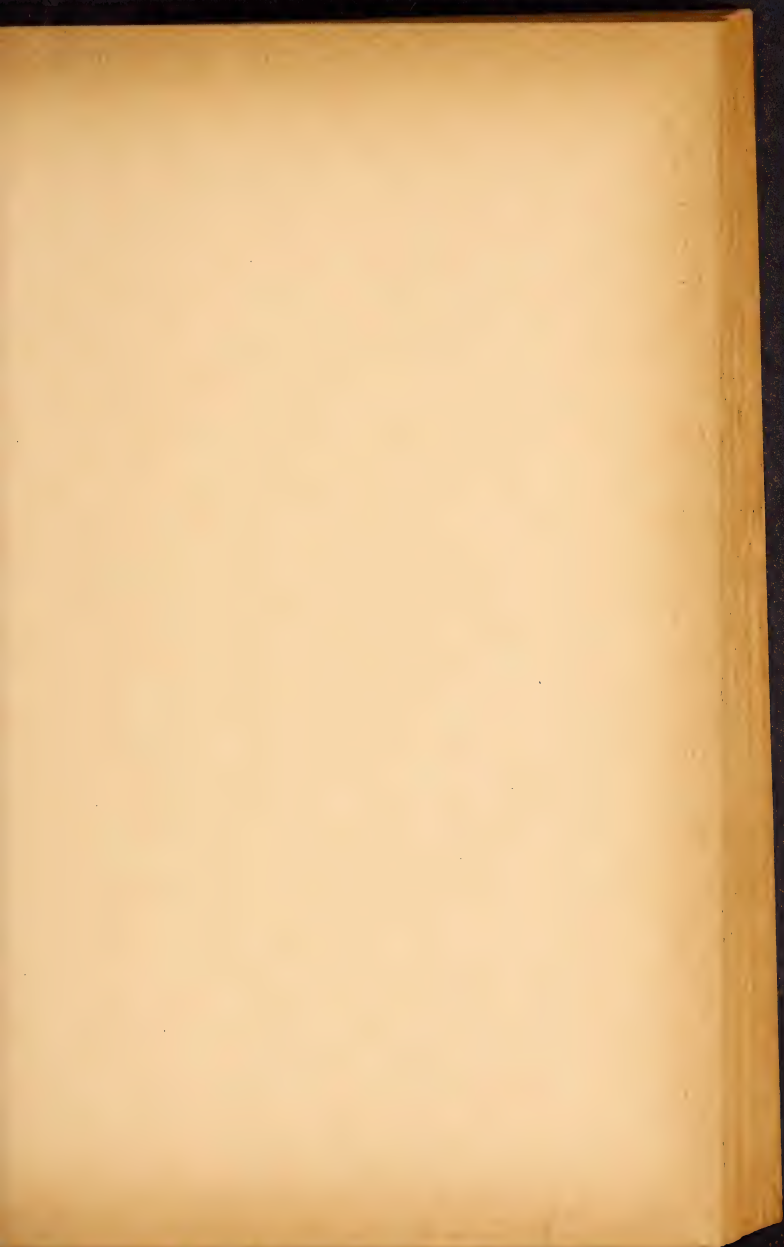














It is often said that
usefulness is the end of life,
and so it is. But happiness
creates and inspires usefulness.
If you have many gifts and
the power to understand, even
if you meditate night and
day how to promote the
welfare of the world it
shall all profit you little
if you have not joy.

Helen Keller



When we do the best
that we can, we never
know what miracle
is wrought in our life,
or in the life of another.

Helen Keller



Anyone who, out of
goodness of heart, speaks
a helpful word, gives
a cheering smile, or
smooths over the rough
places in another's path
knows that the delight
he feels is so intimate
a part of him^{self} that he
lives by it.

Helen Keller



Many persons have the
wrong idea of what
constitutes happiness. It
is not attained by self
gratification but through
fidelity to a worthy purpose.

Helen Keller



In a democracy
there can be but
one fundamental
test of citizenship
namely: Are you
using such gifts
as you possess for
or against the
people?

Louis Sullivan



But what is perfectionism? Merely
making a virtue of finding fault.

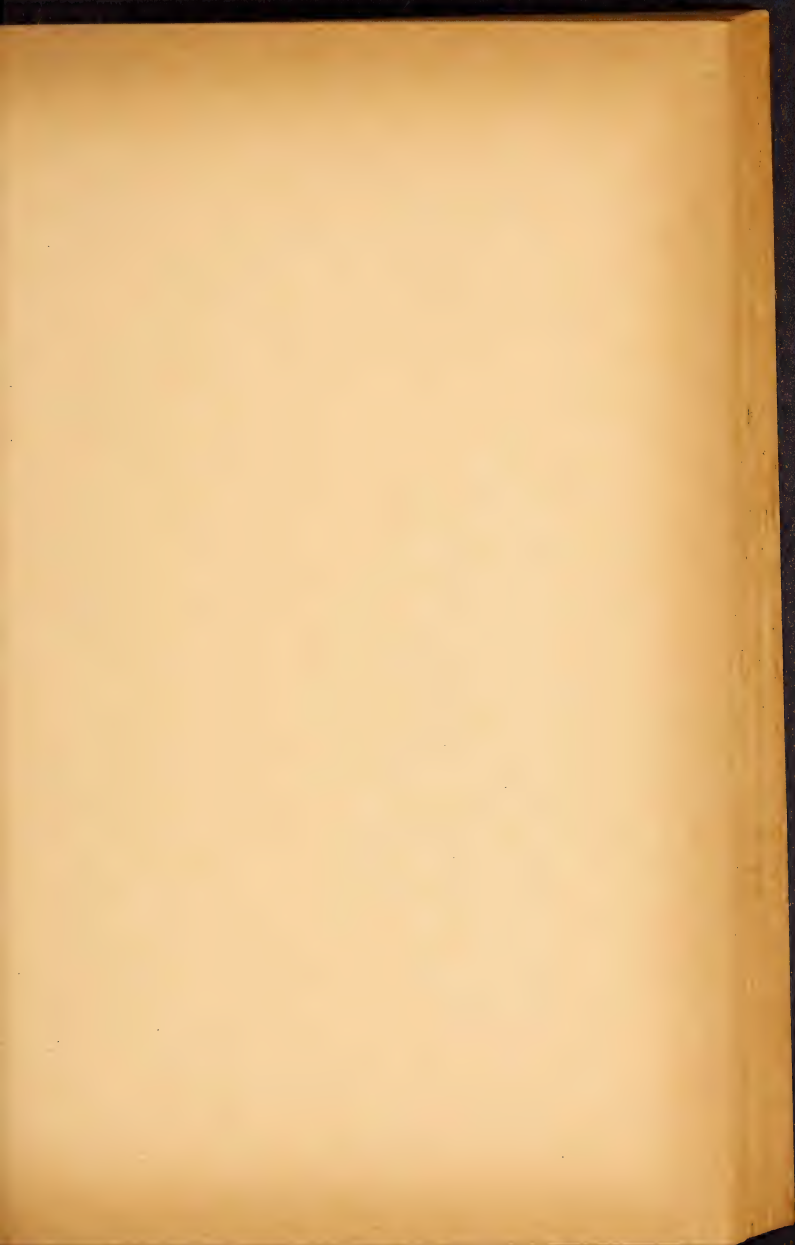
George Starbuck Ballou



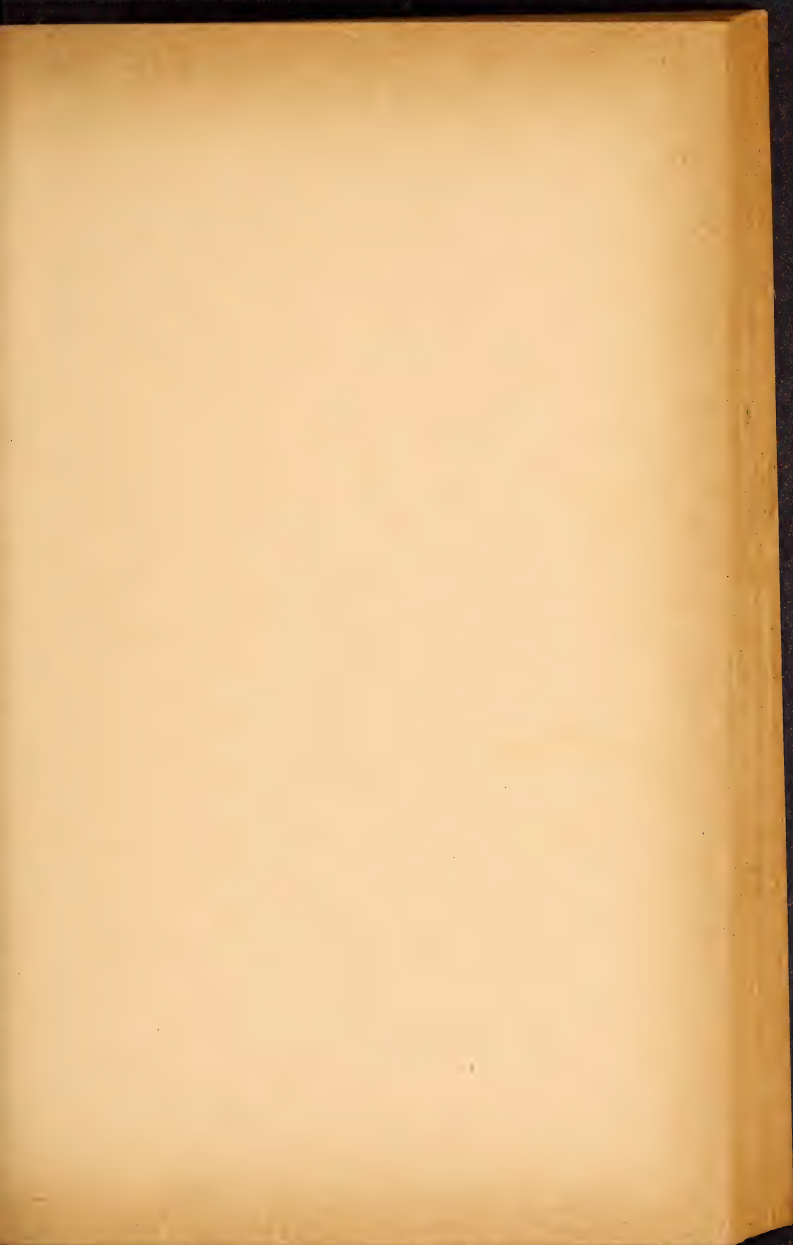
Nothing is so fatiguing as
the eternal hanging on of
an uncompleted task

William James

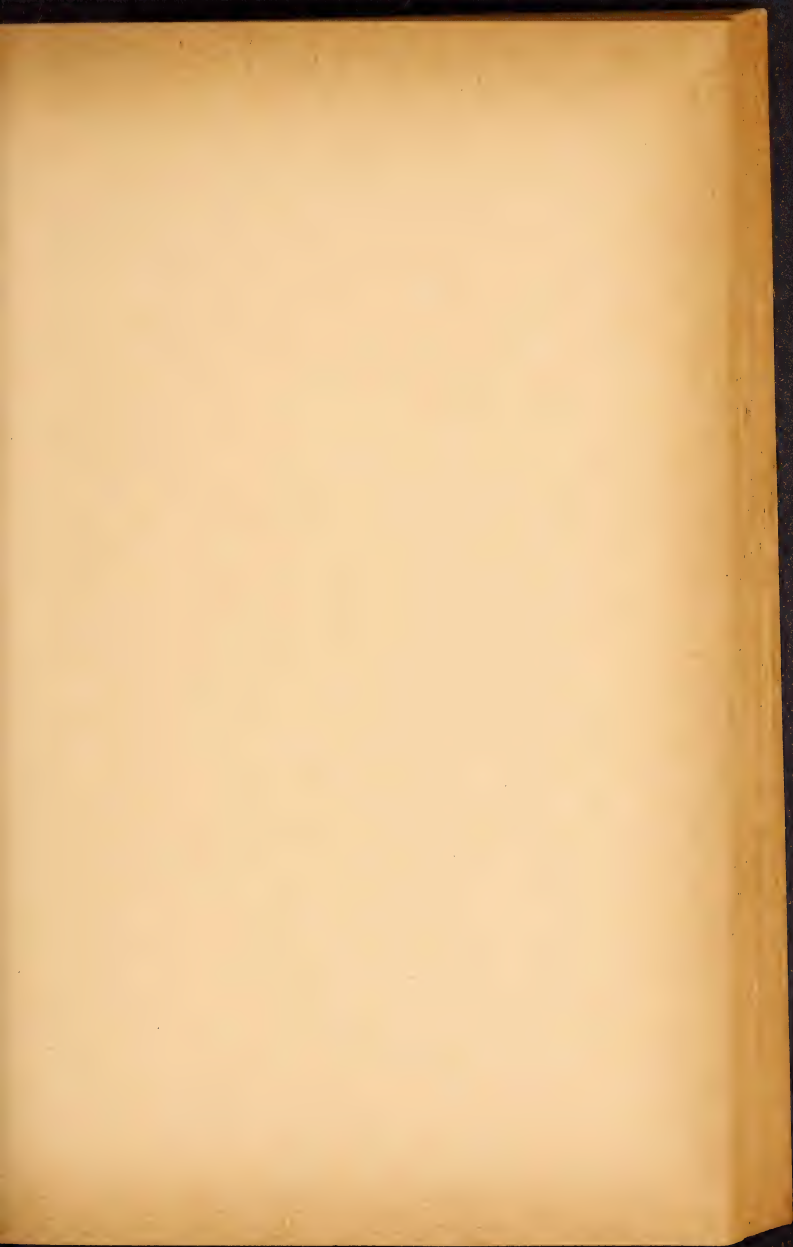


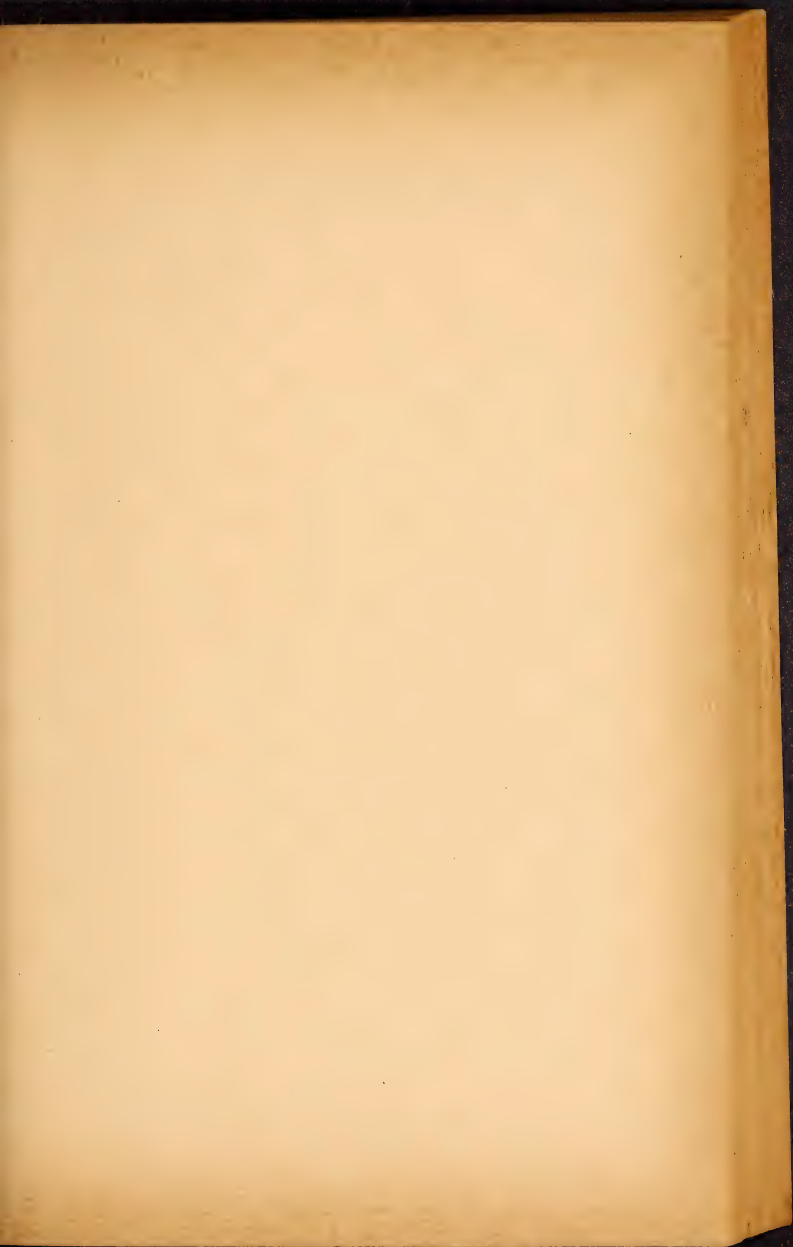




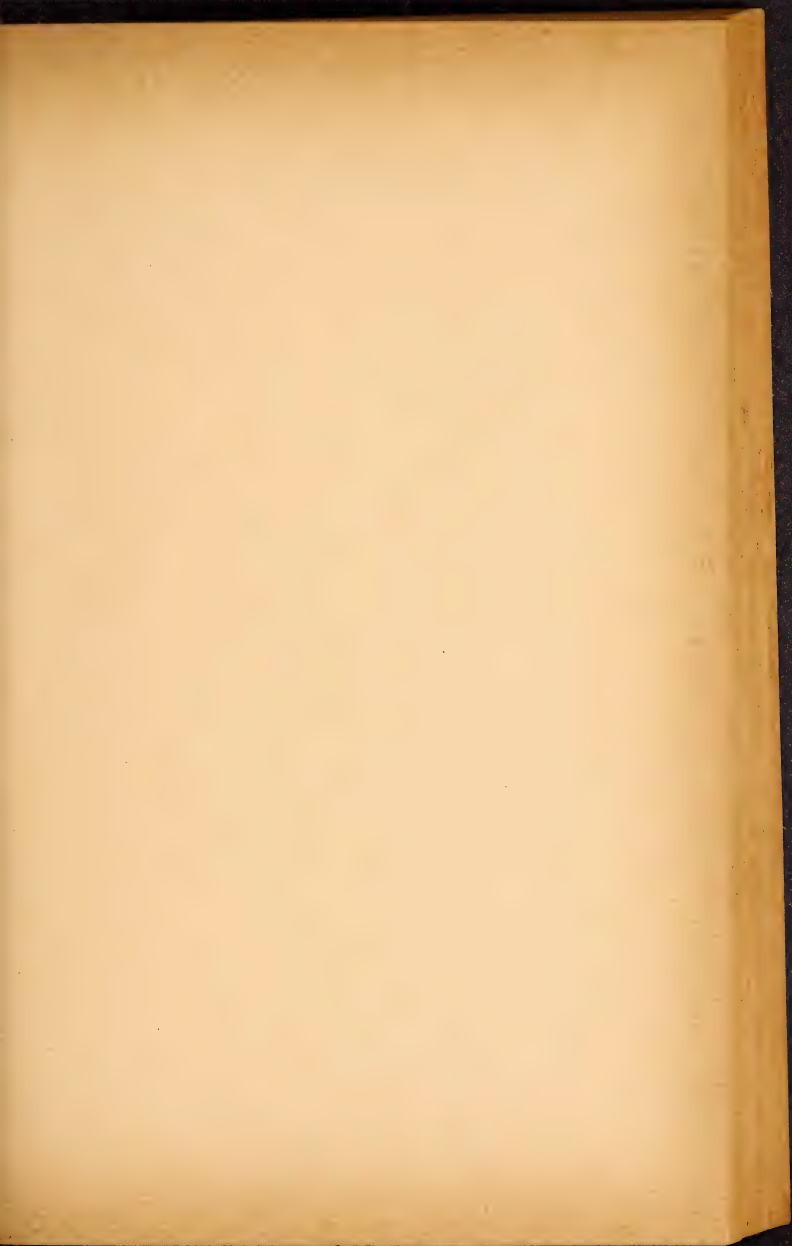




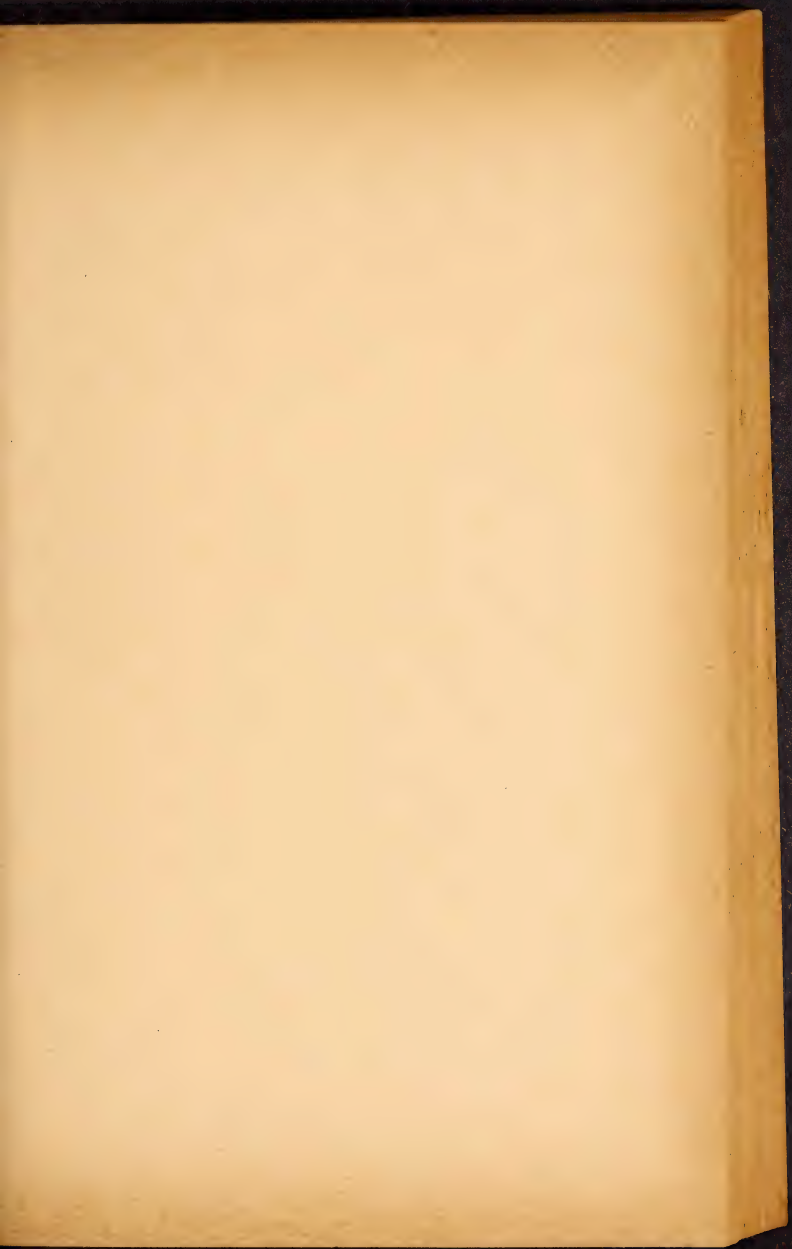








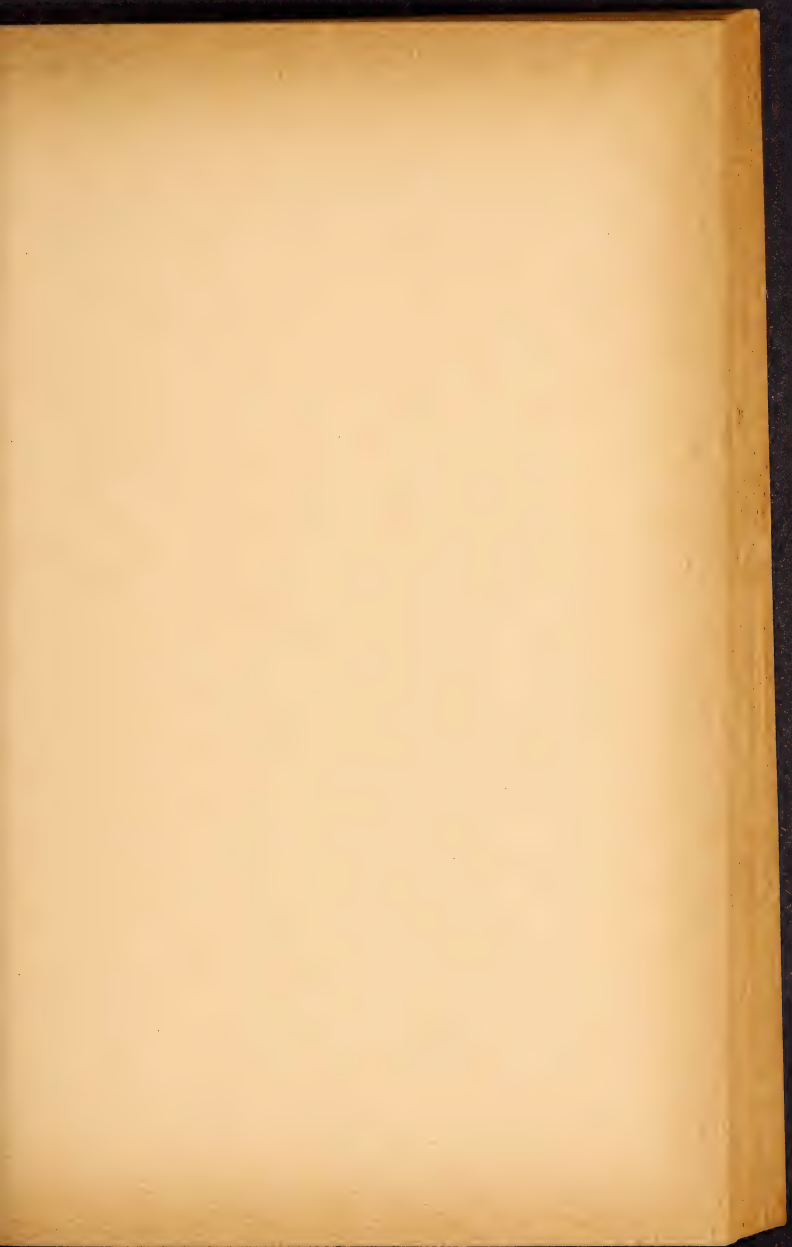




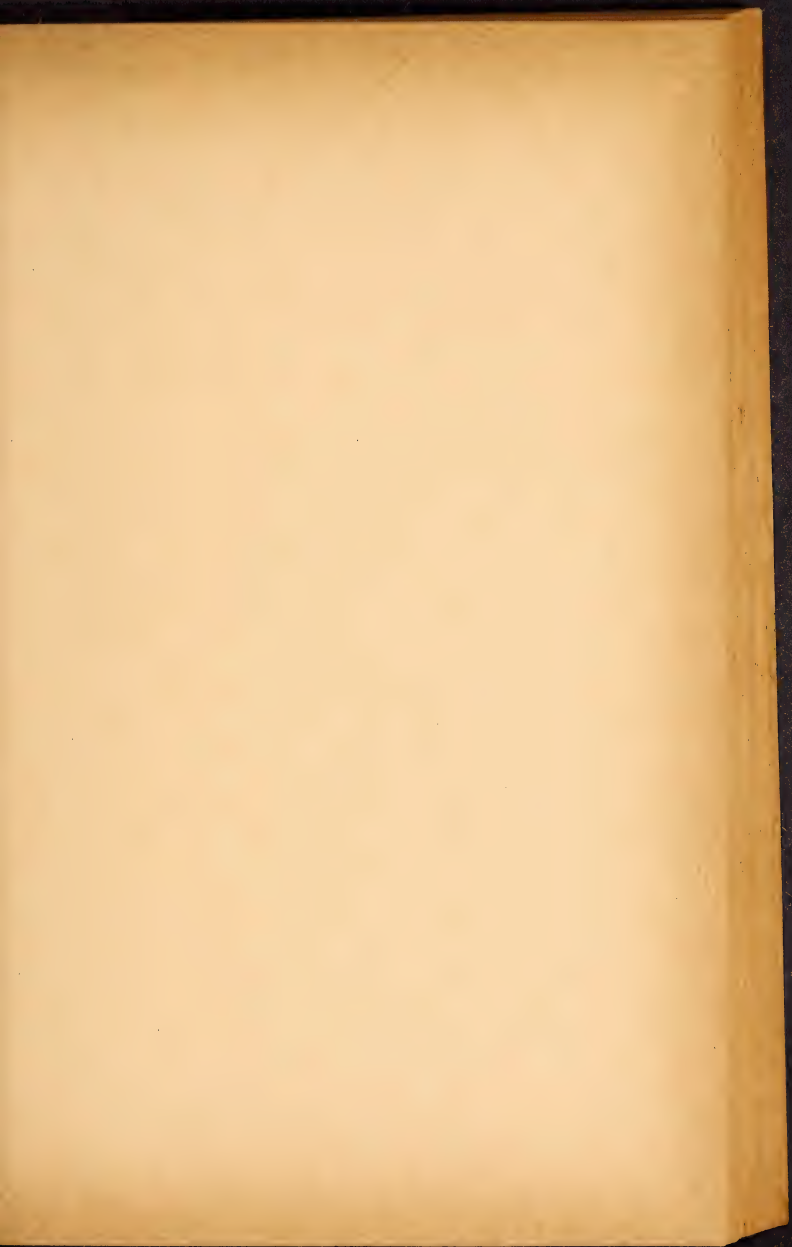




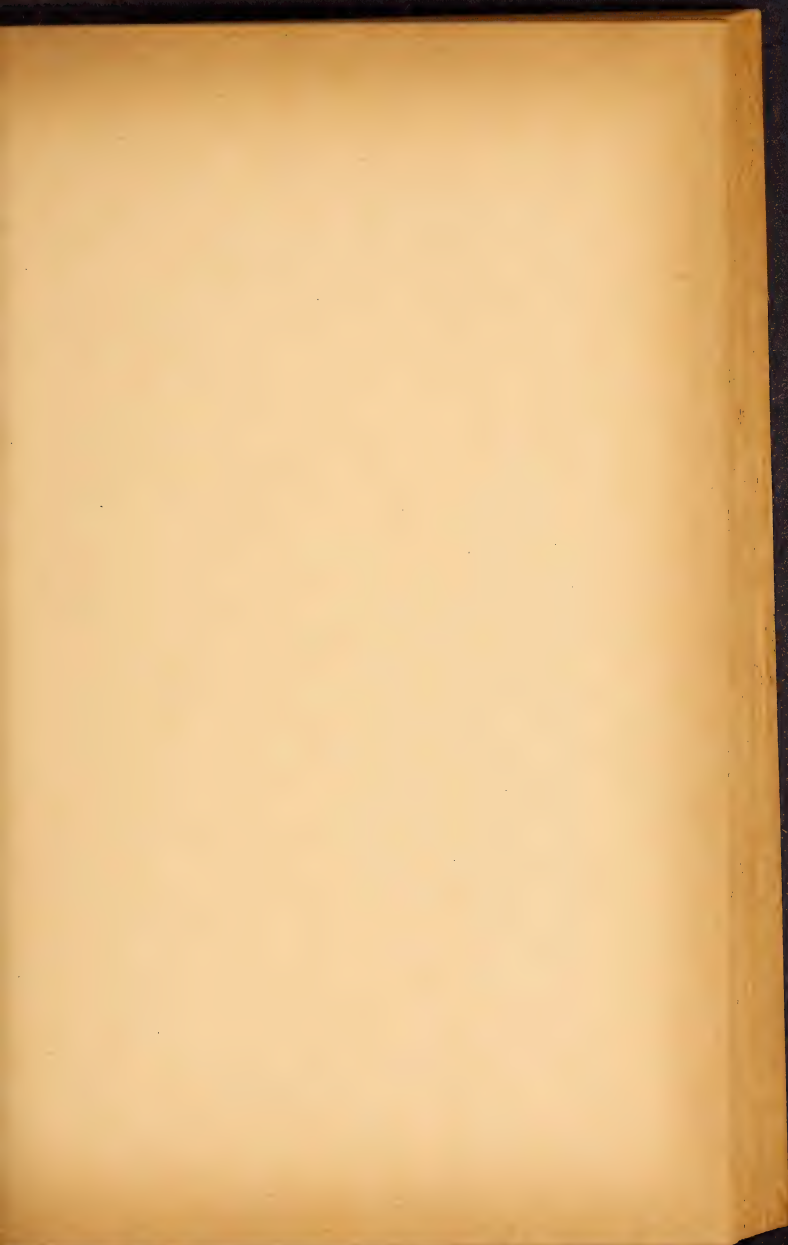




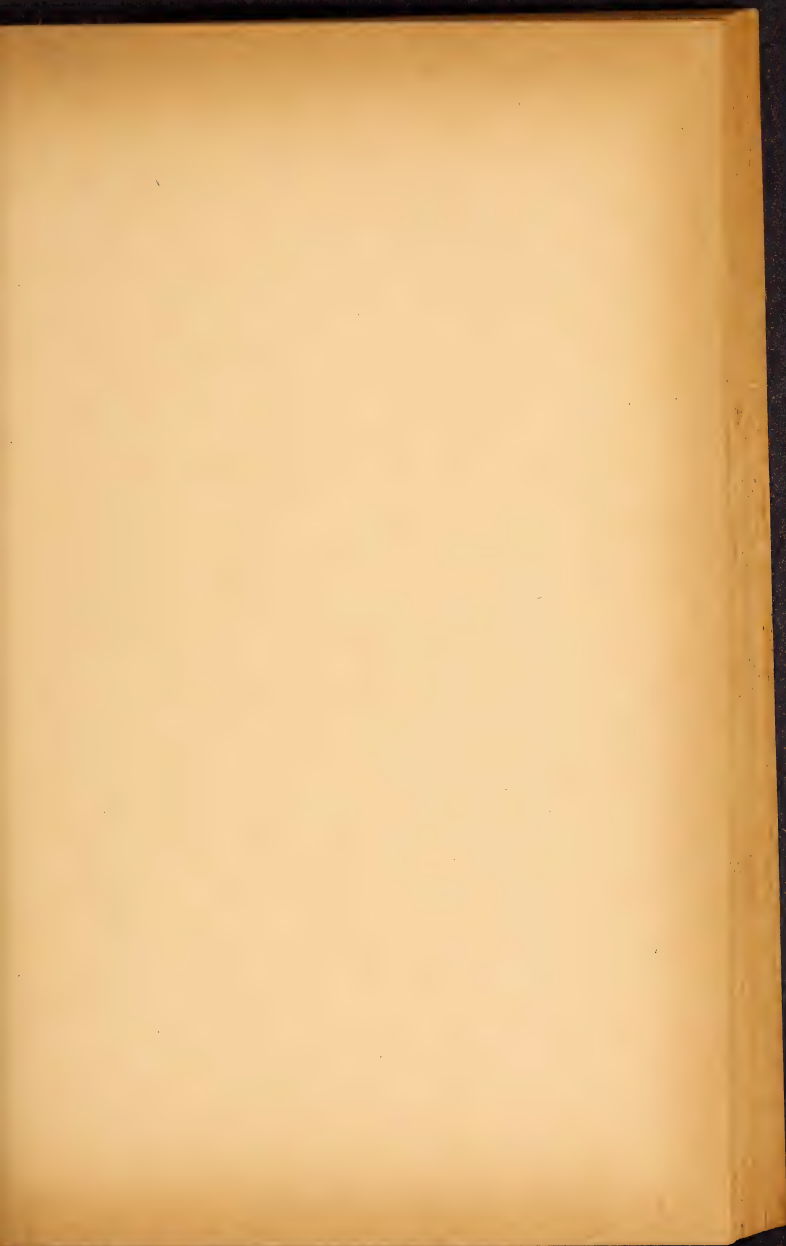




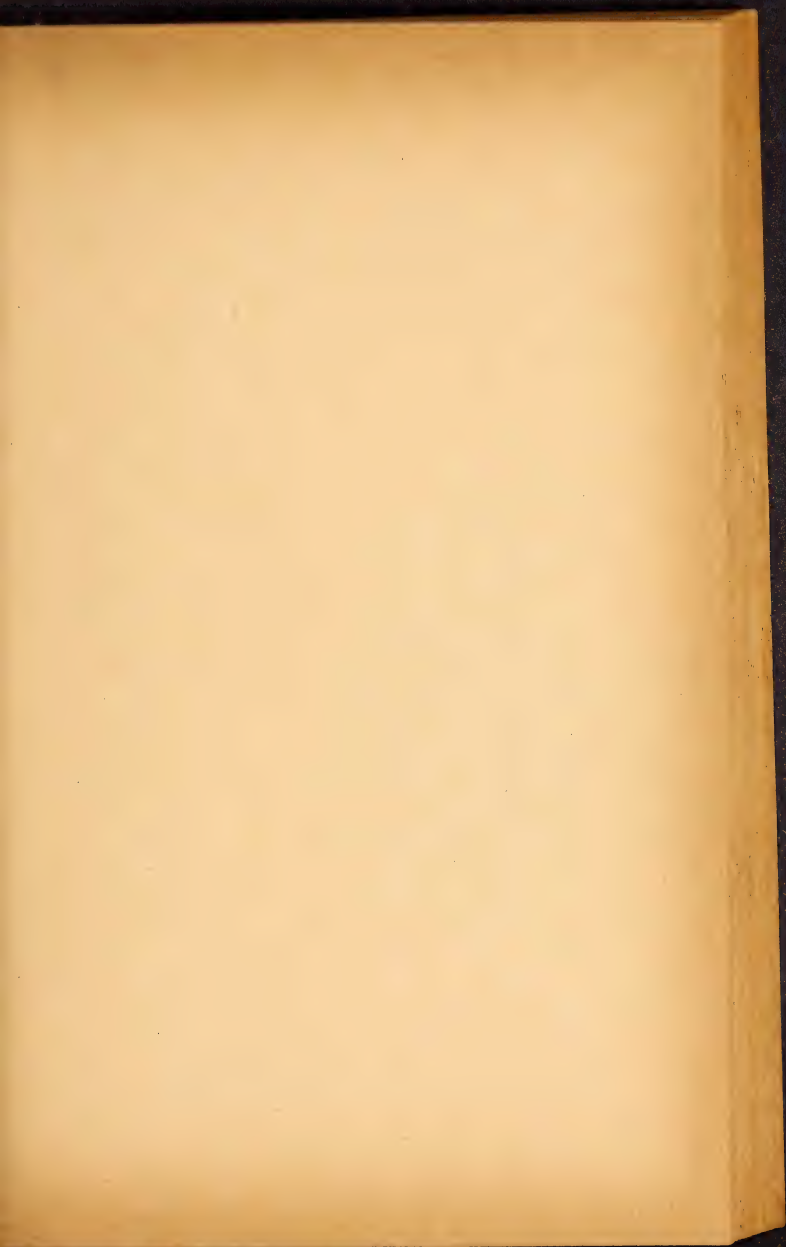




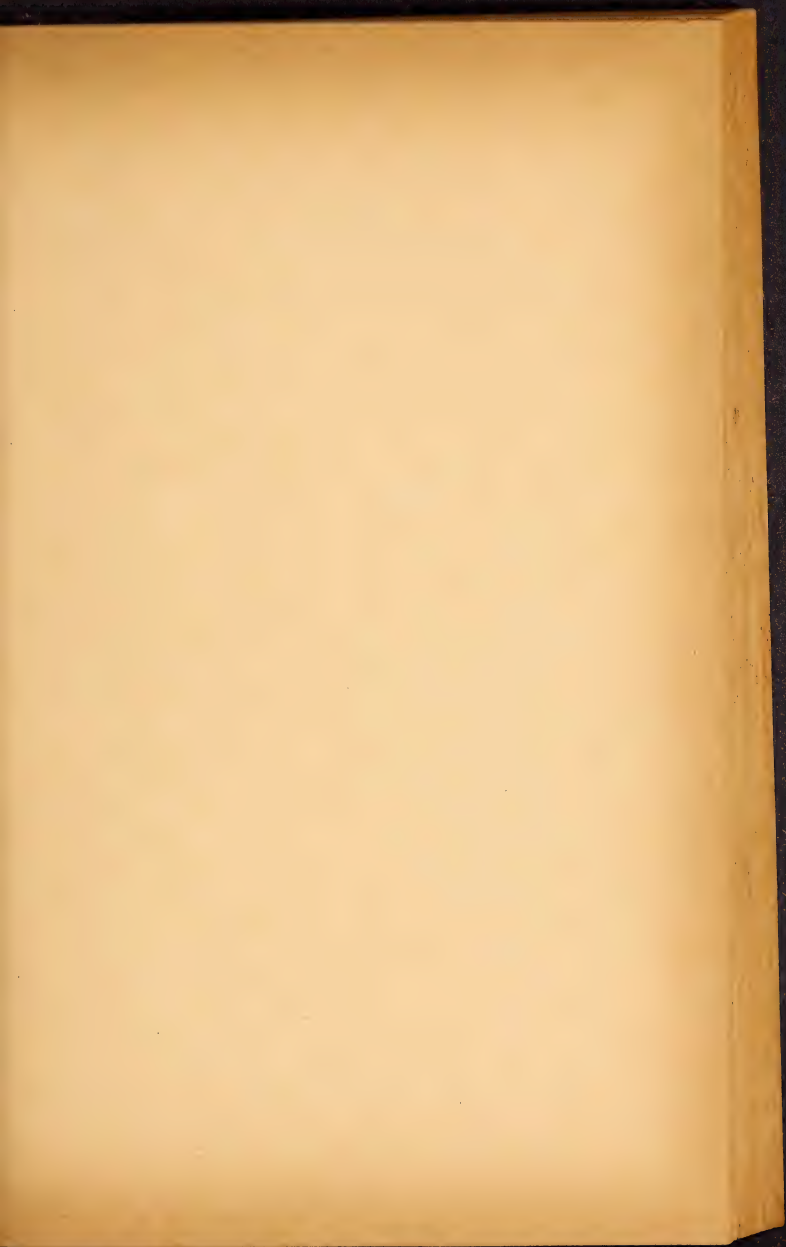




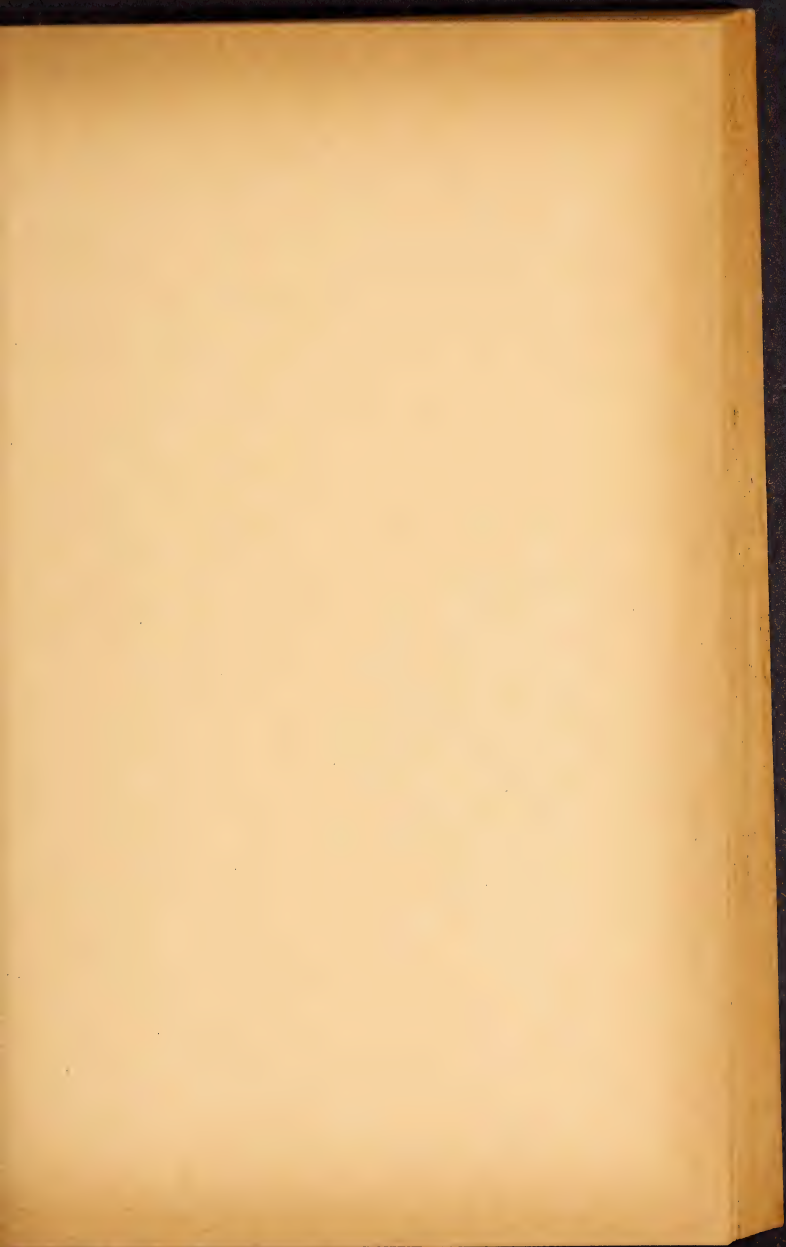




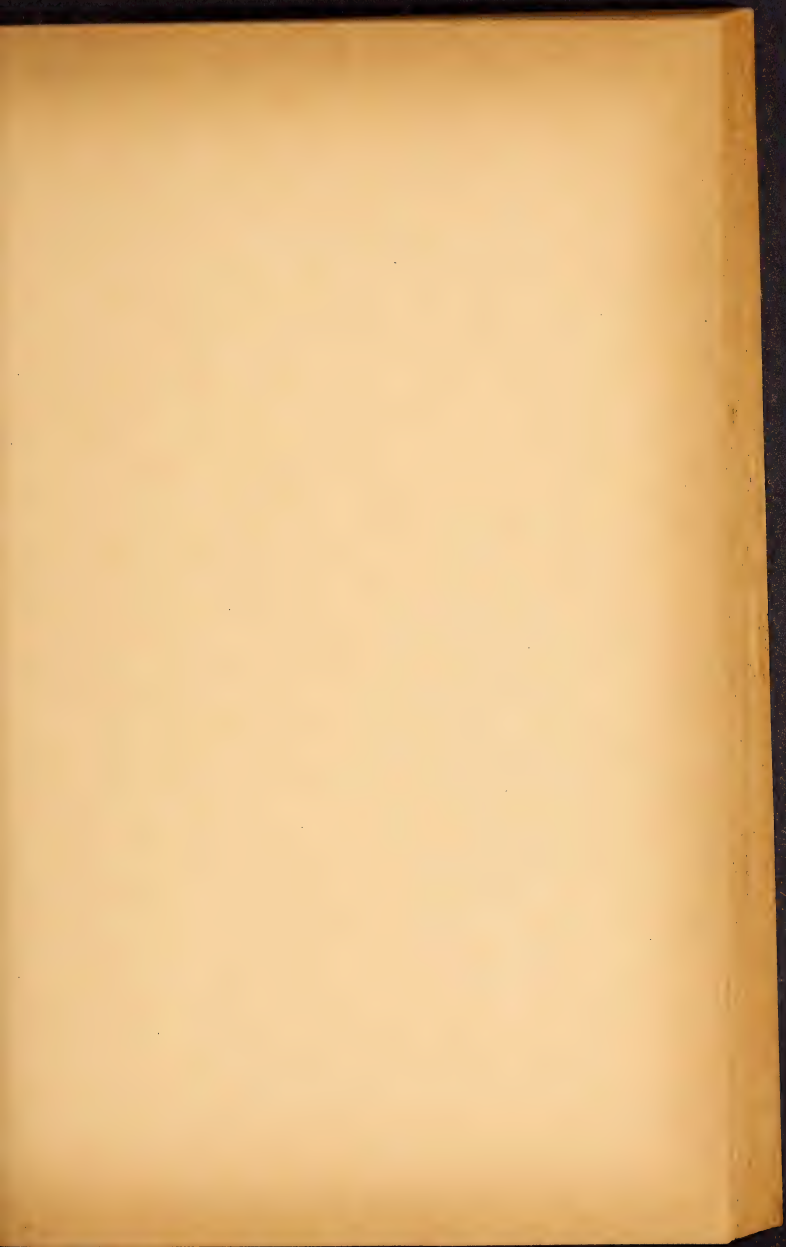


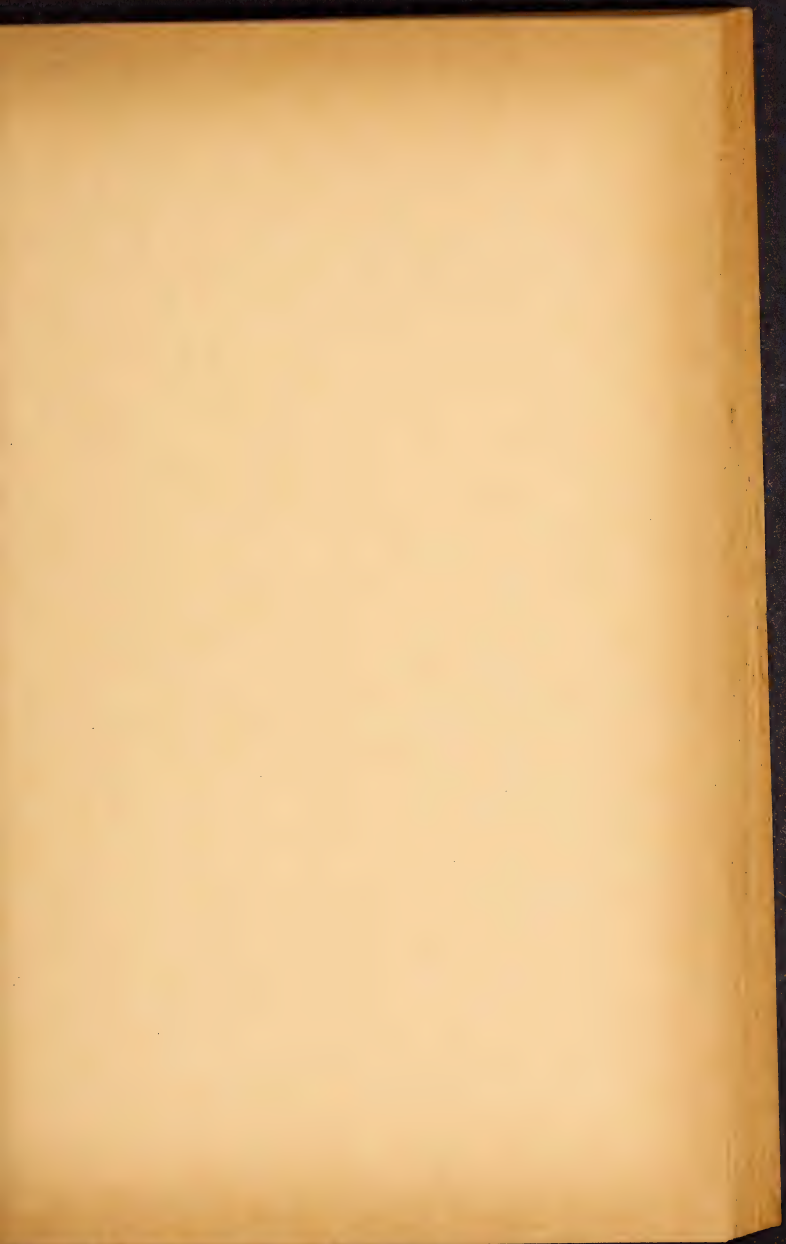




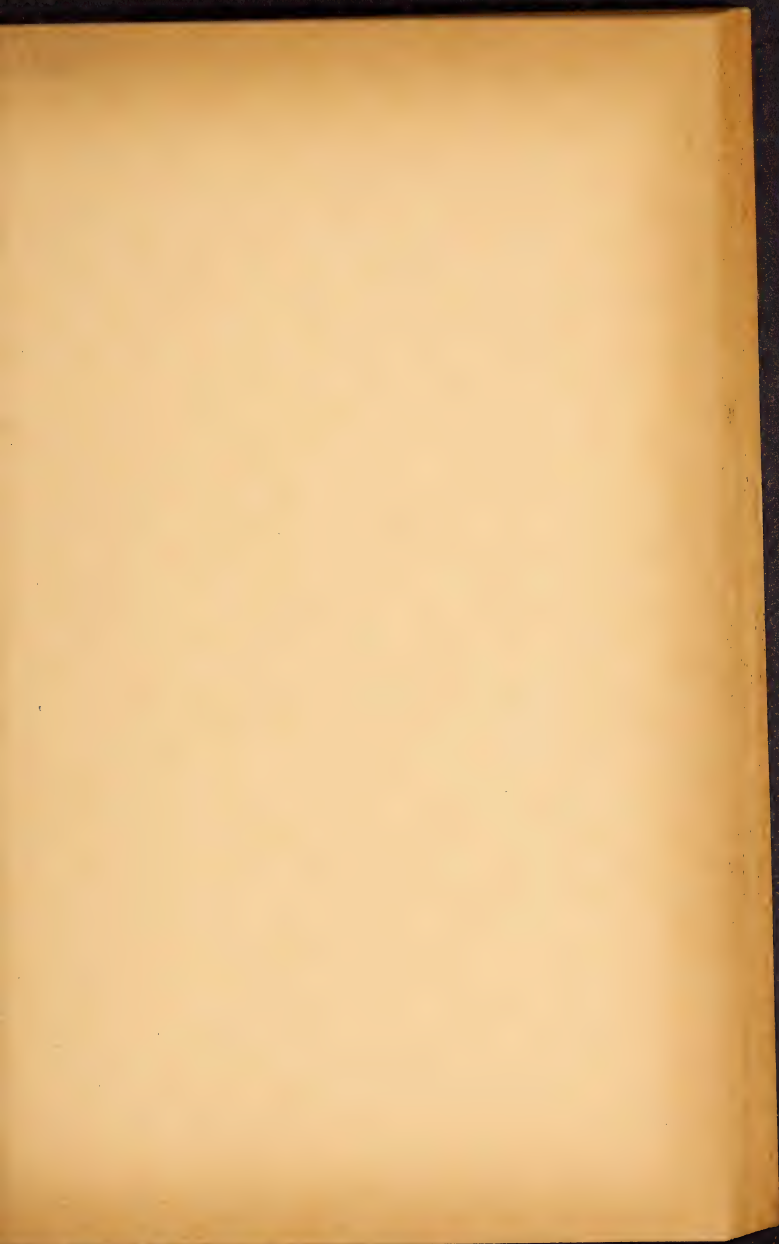




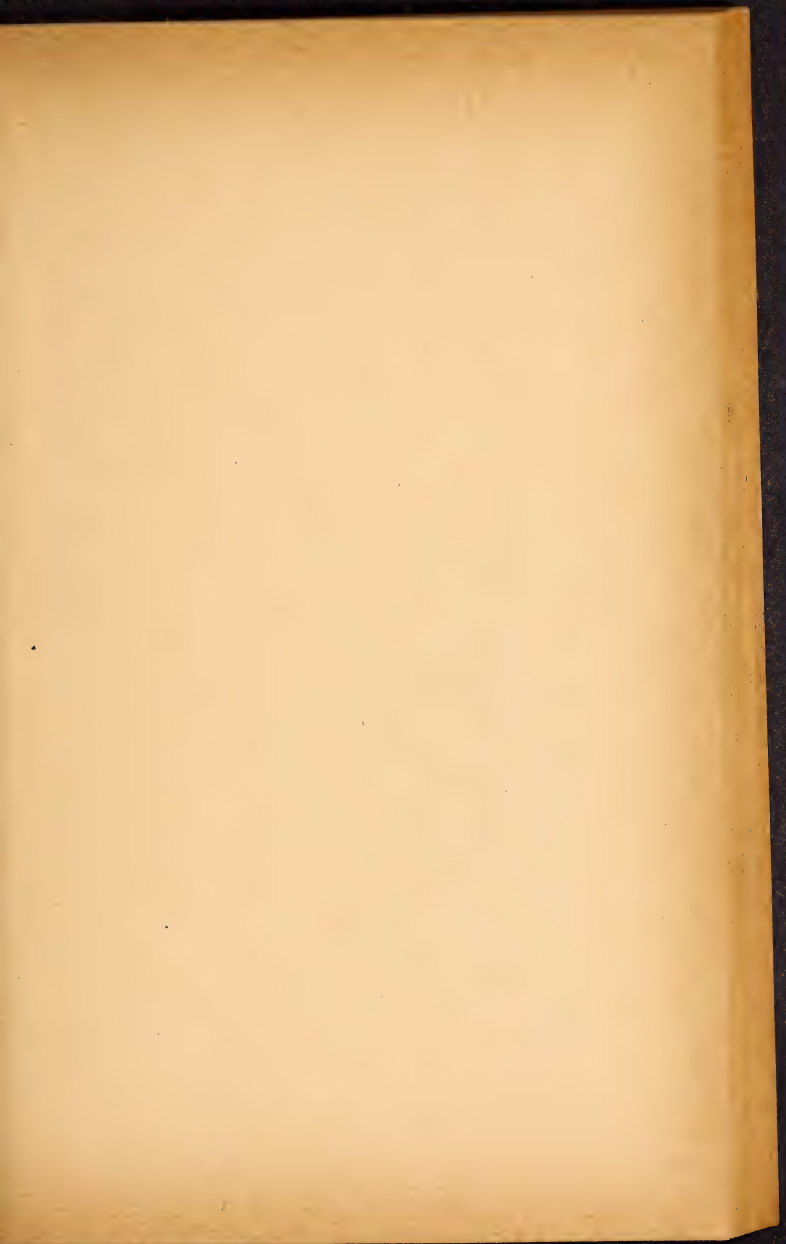




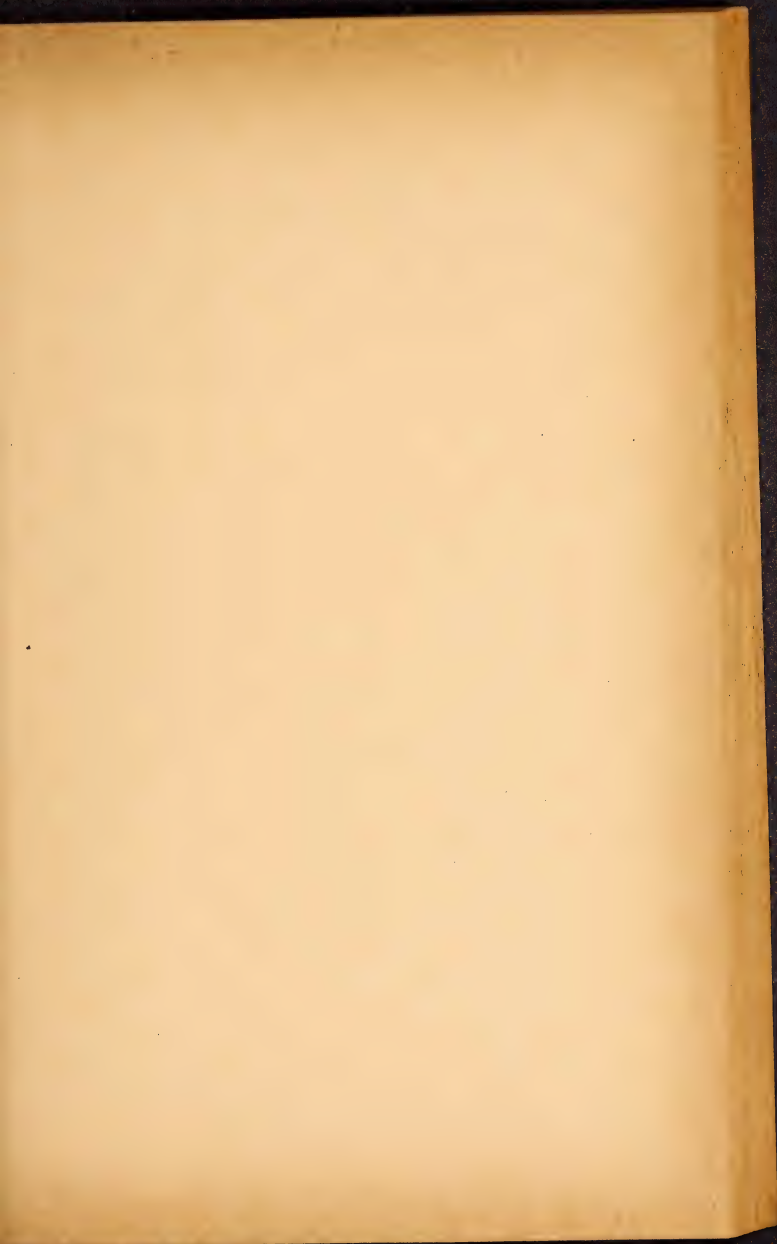




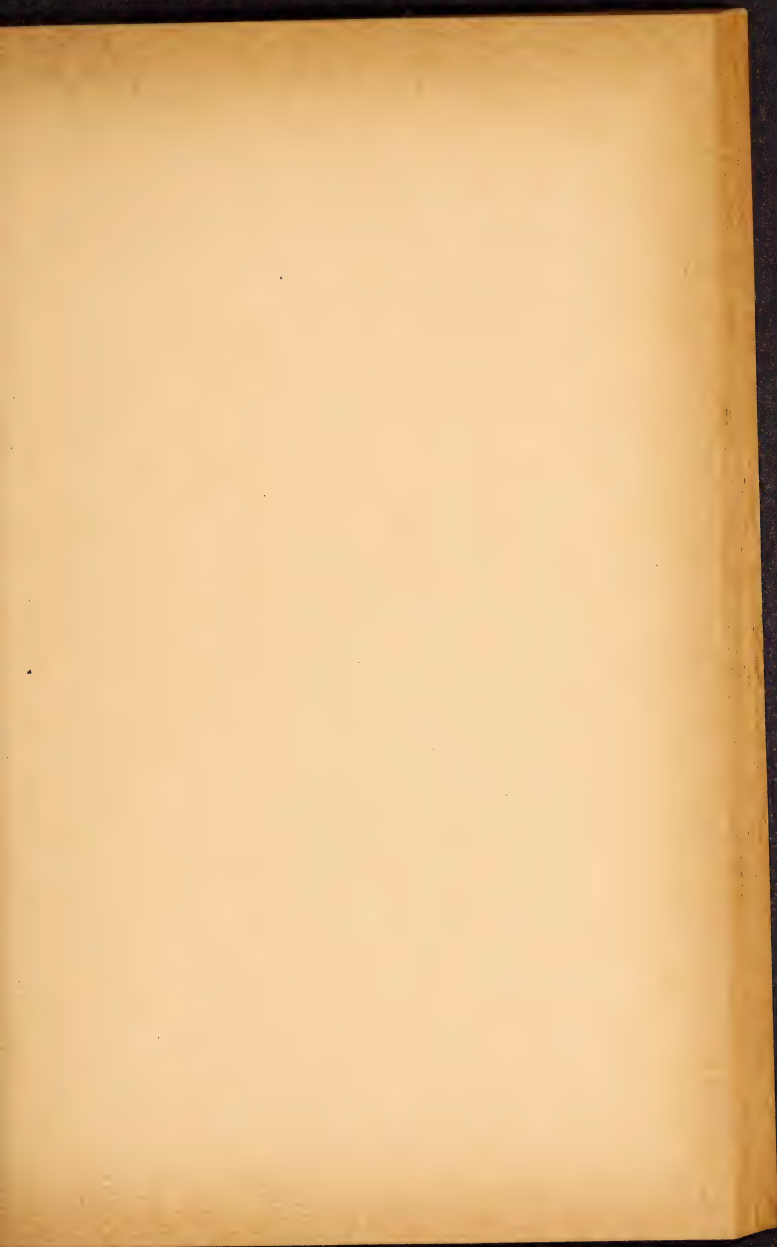




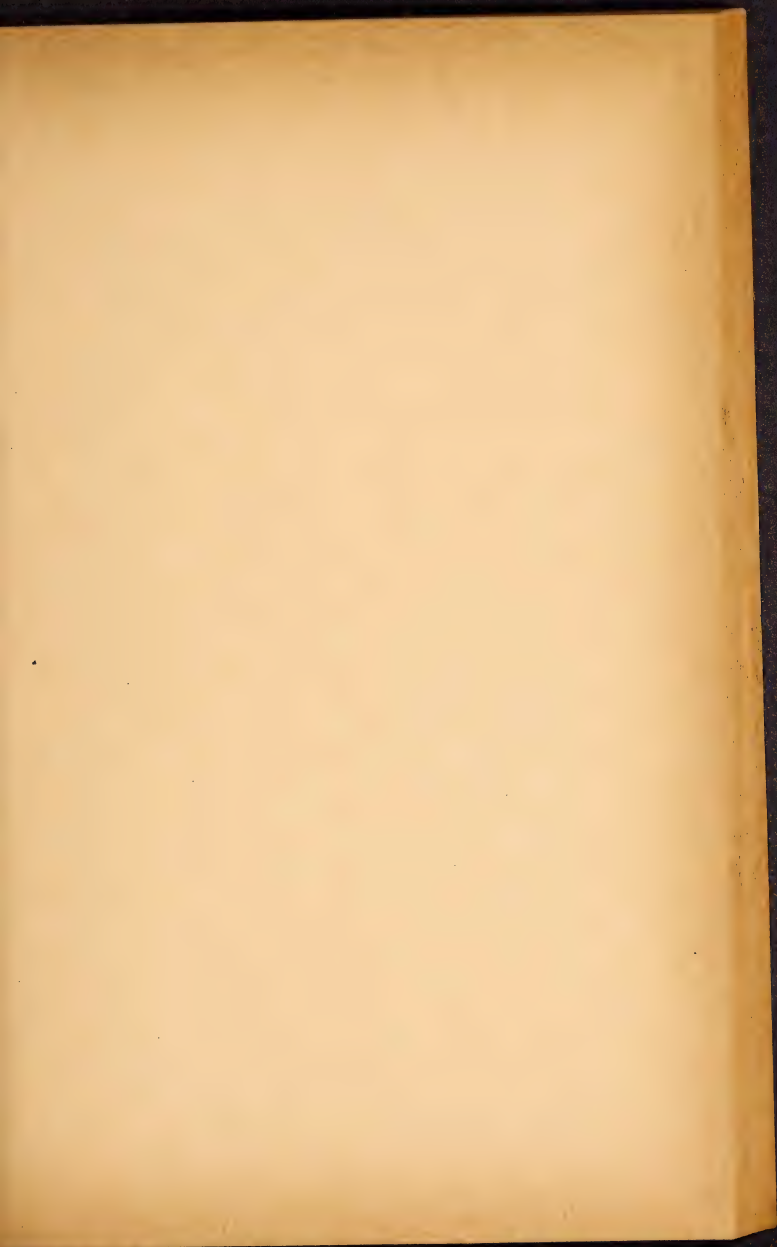








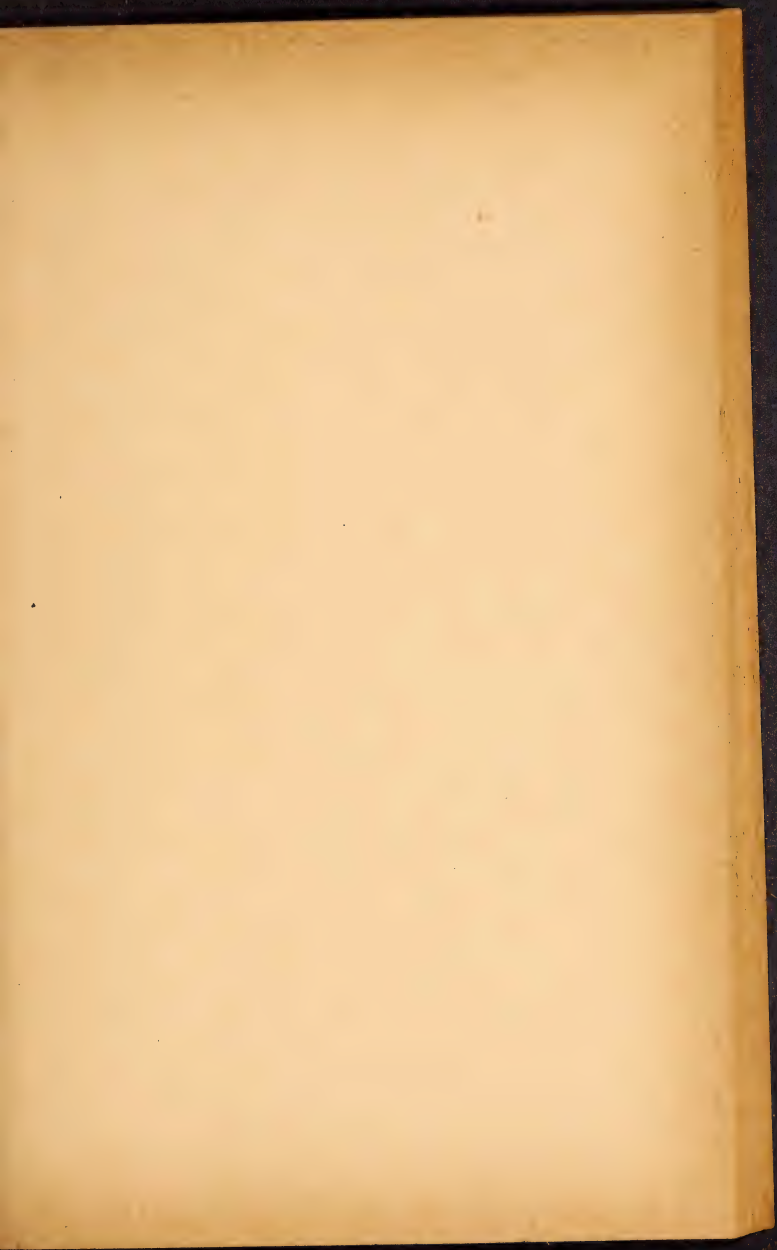








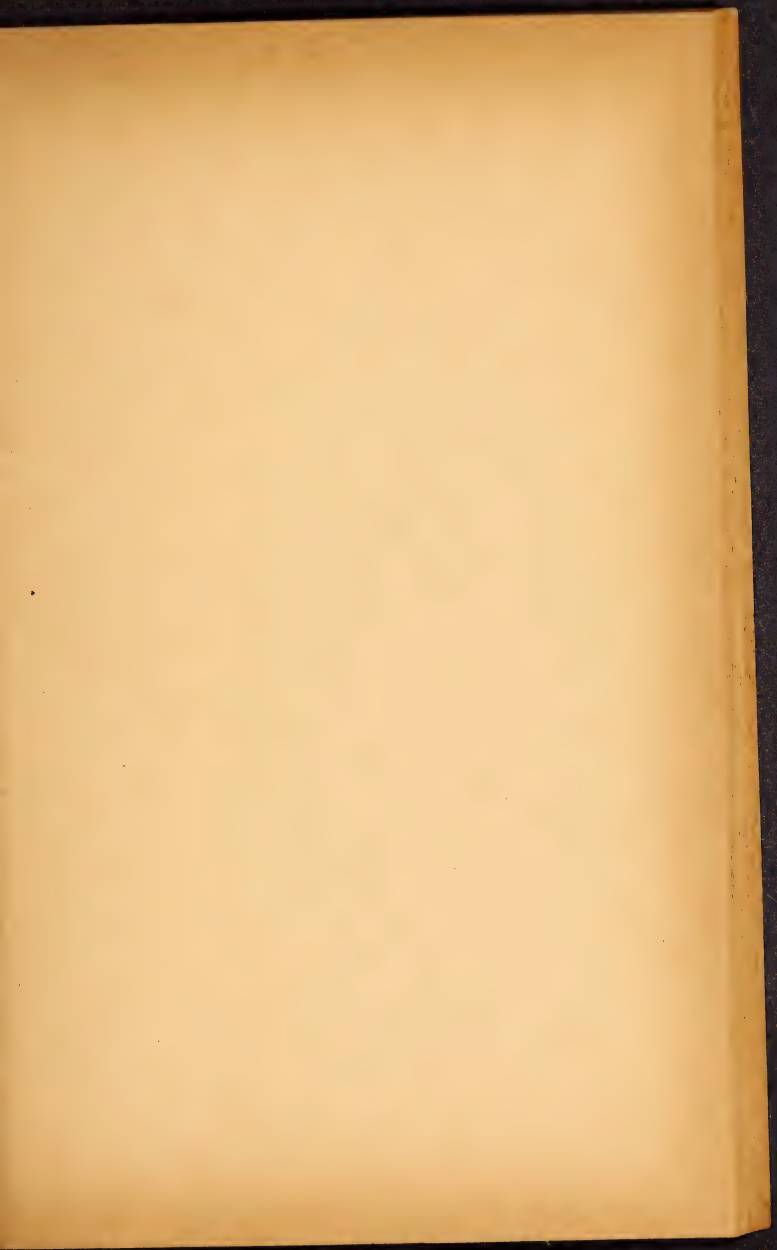






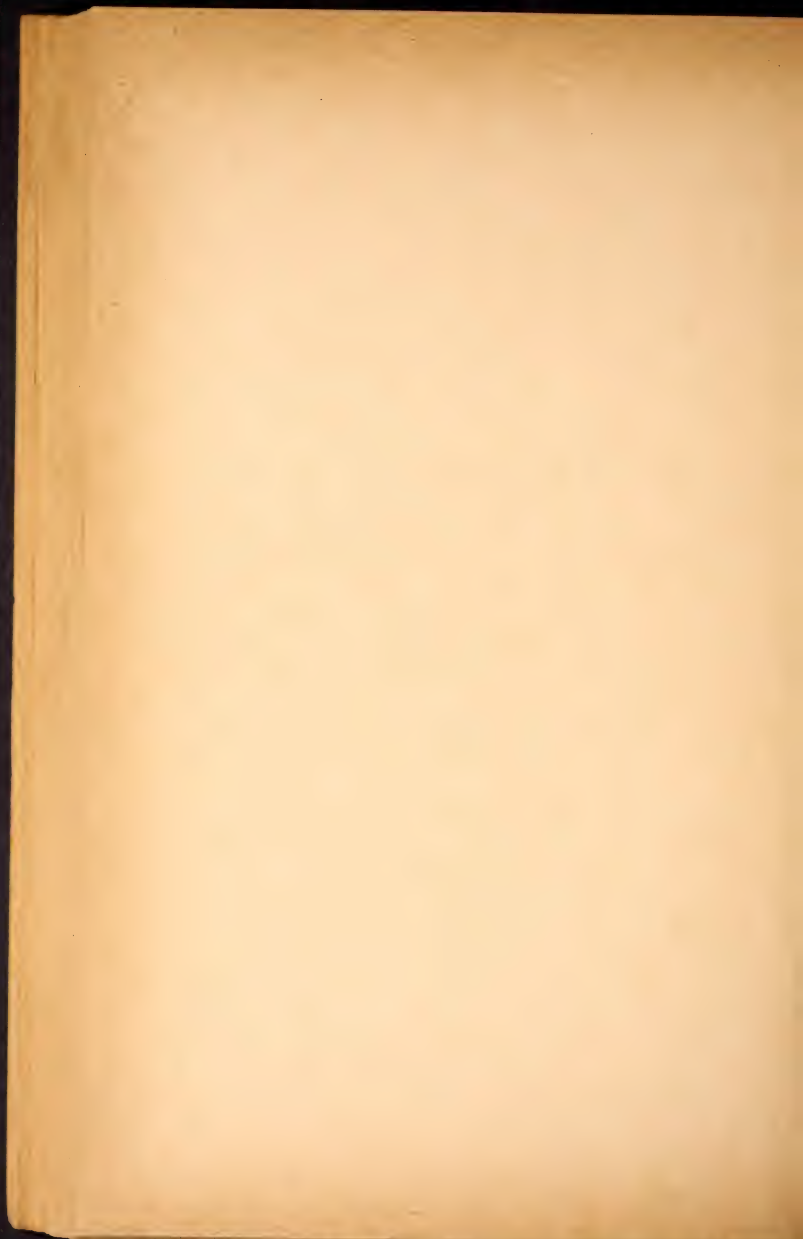


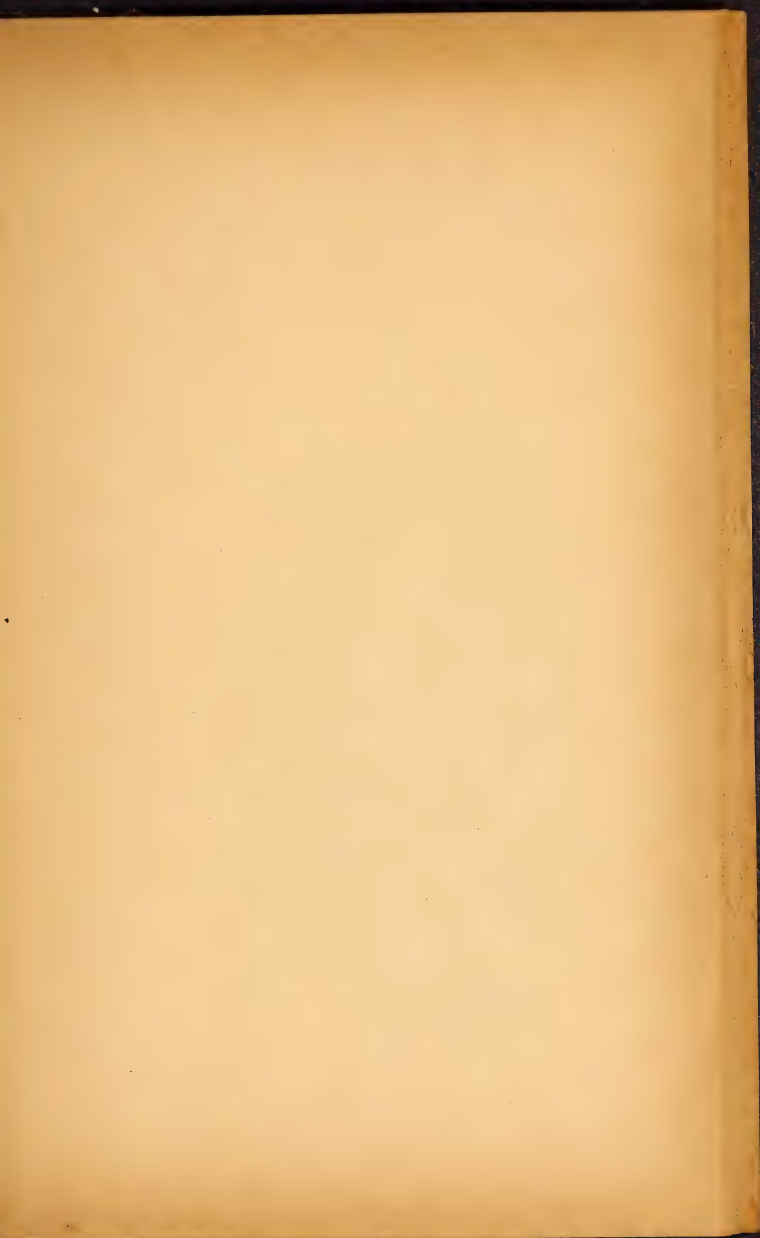


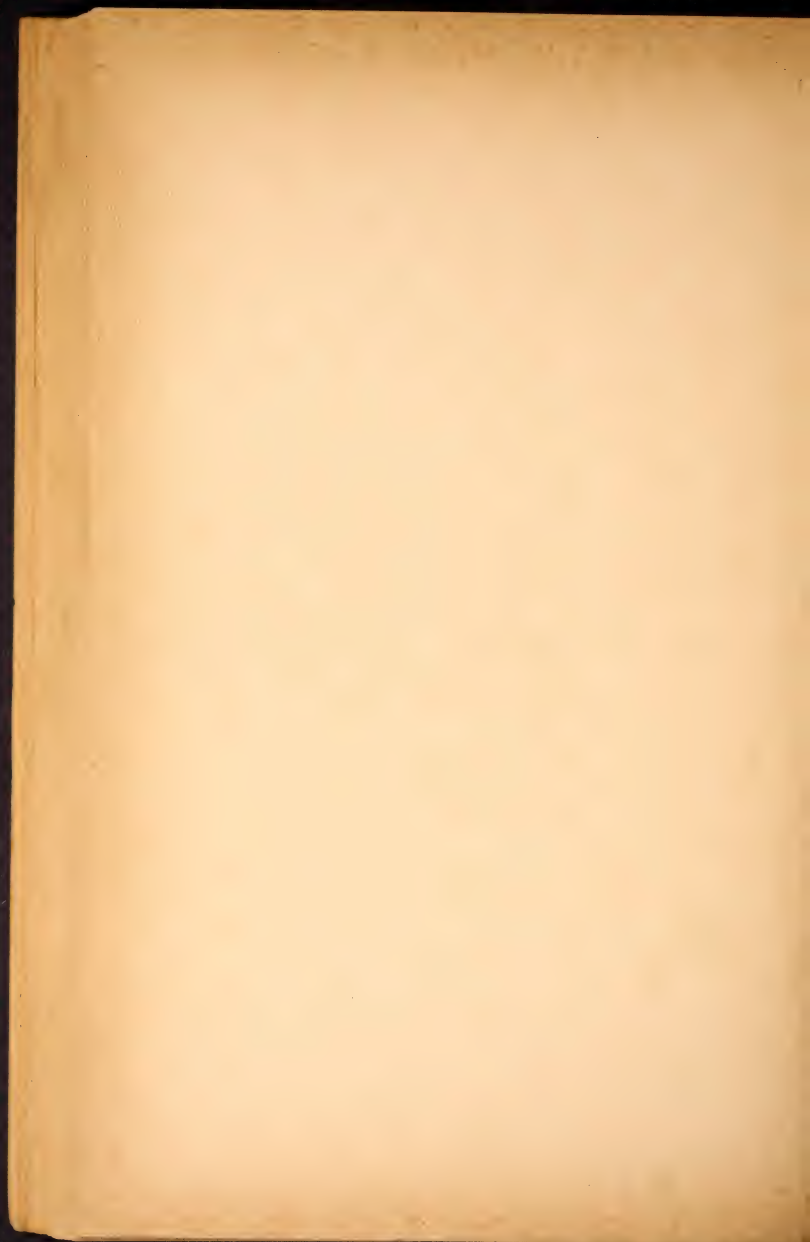








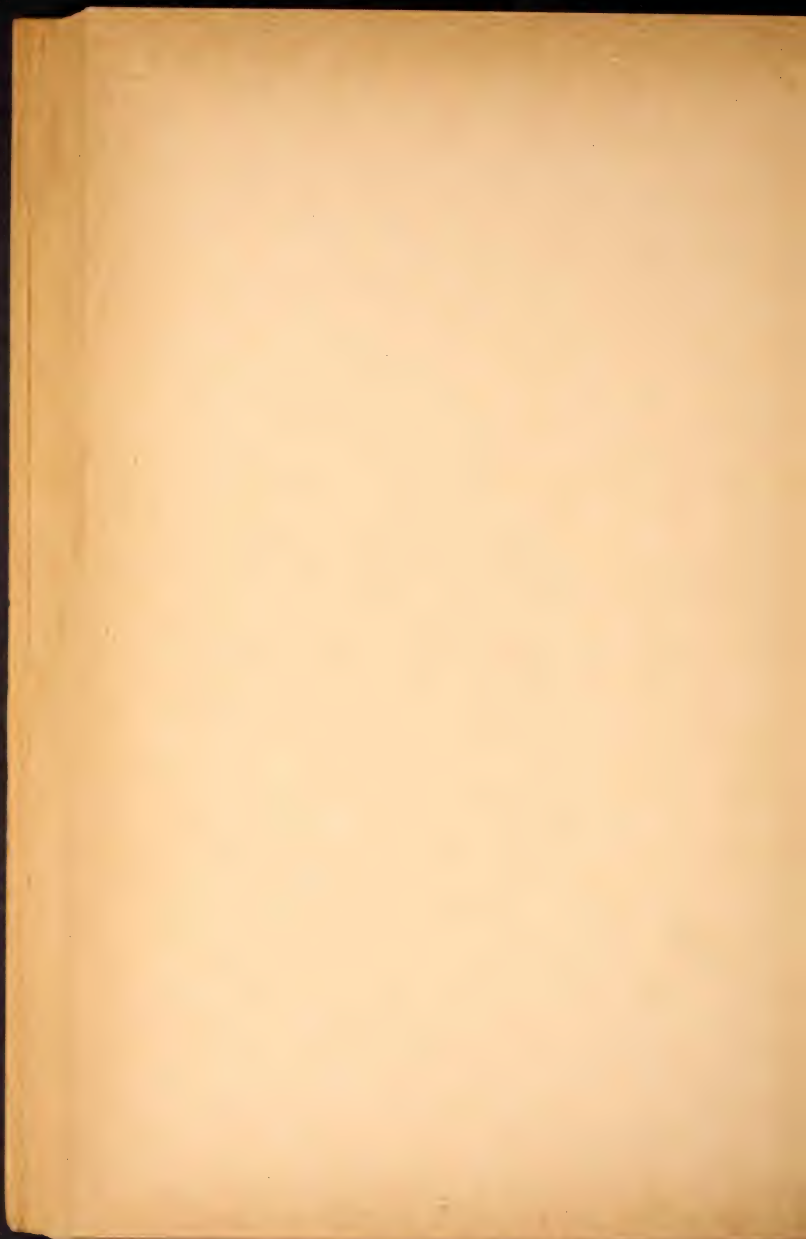


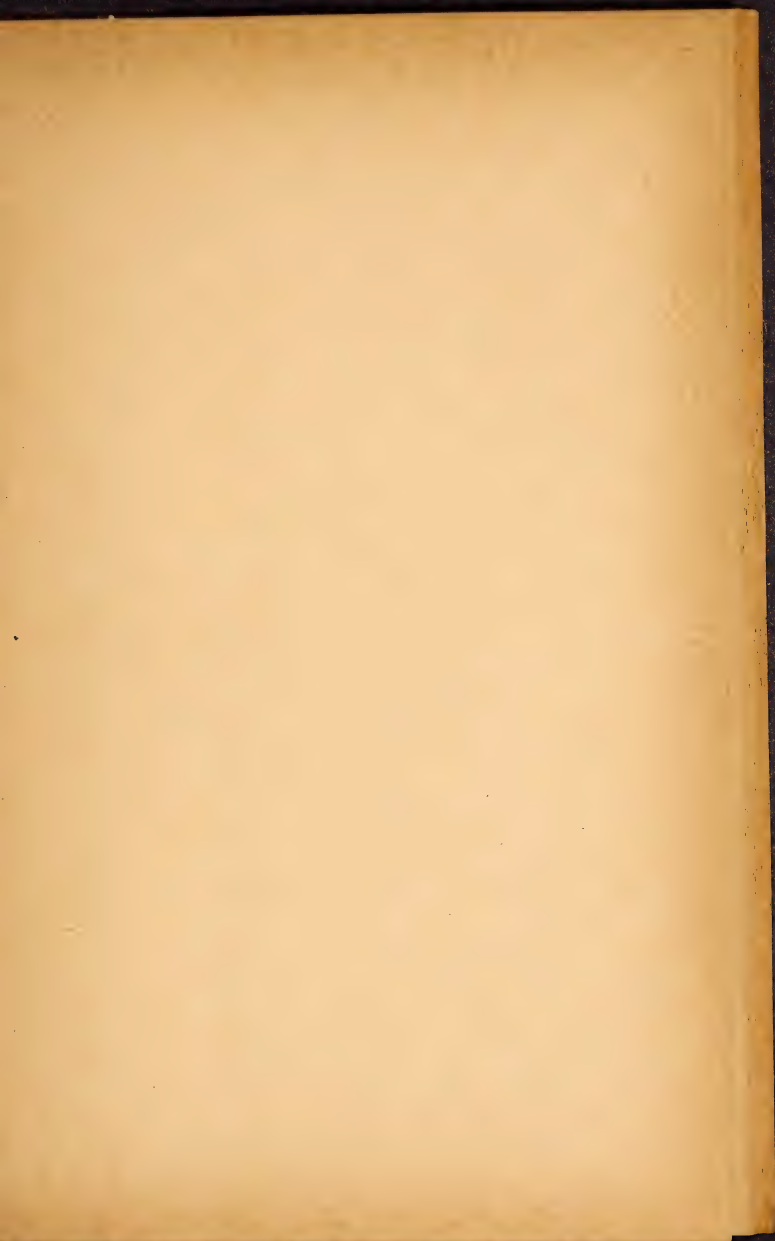




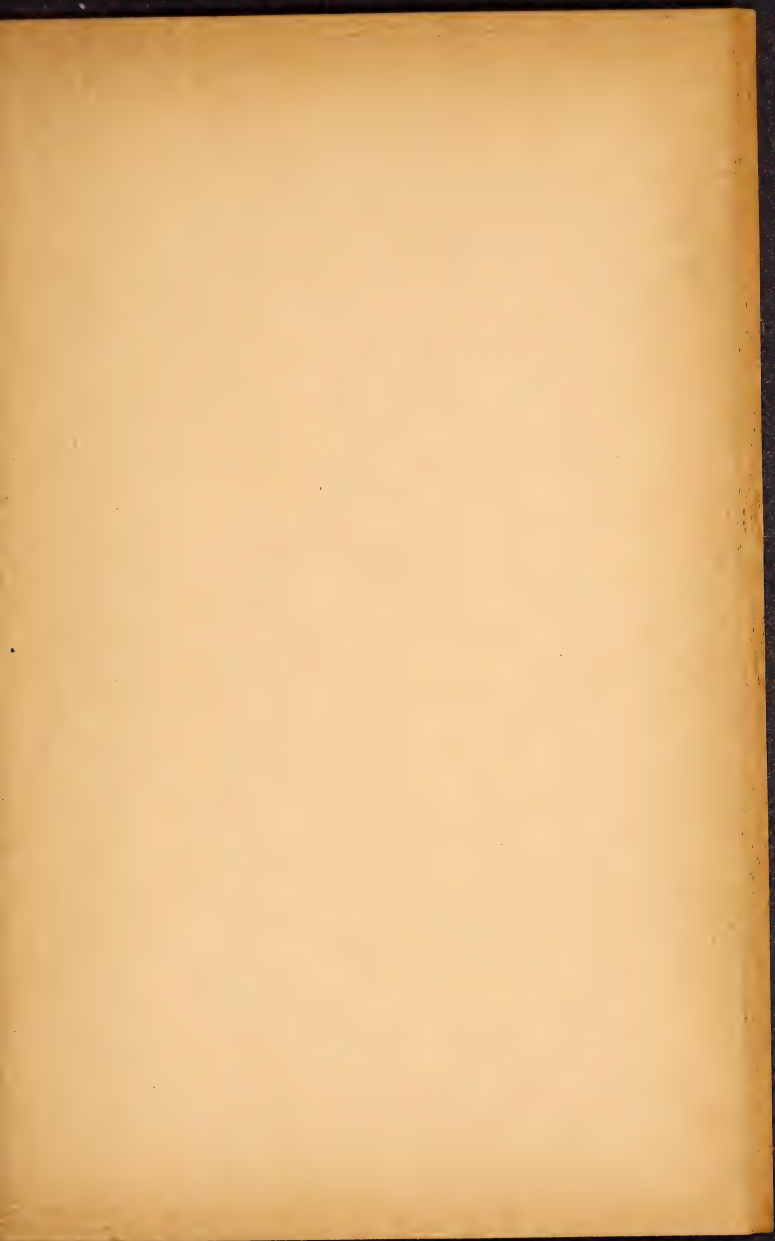




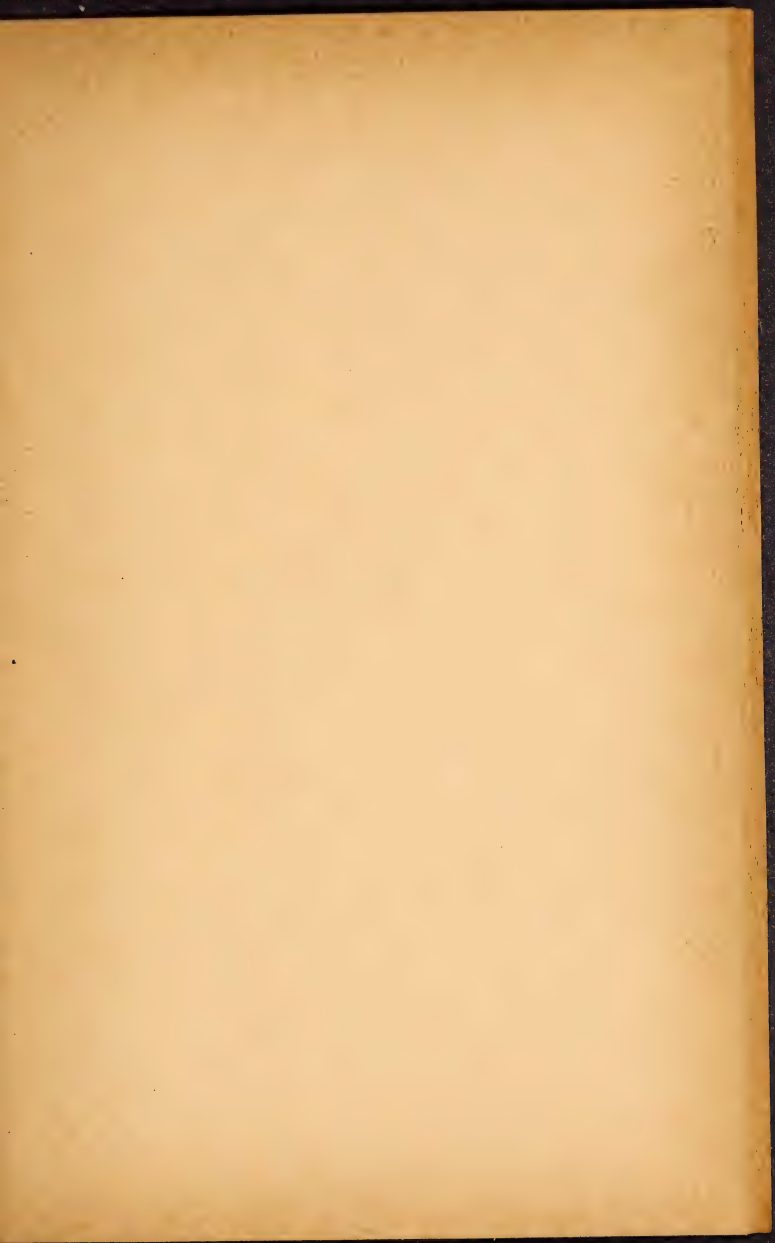




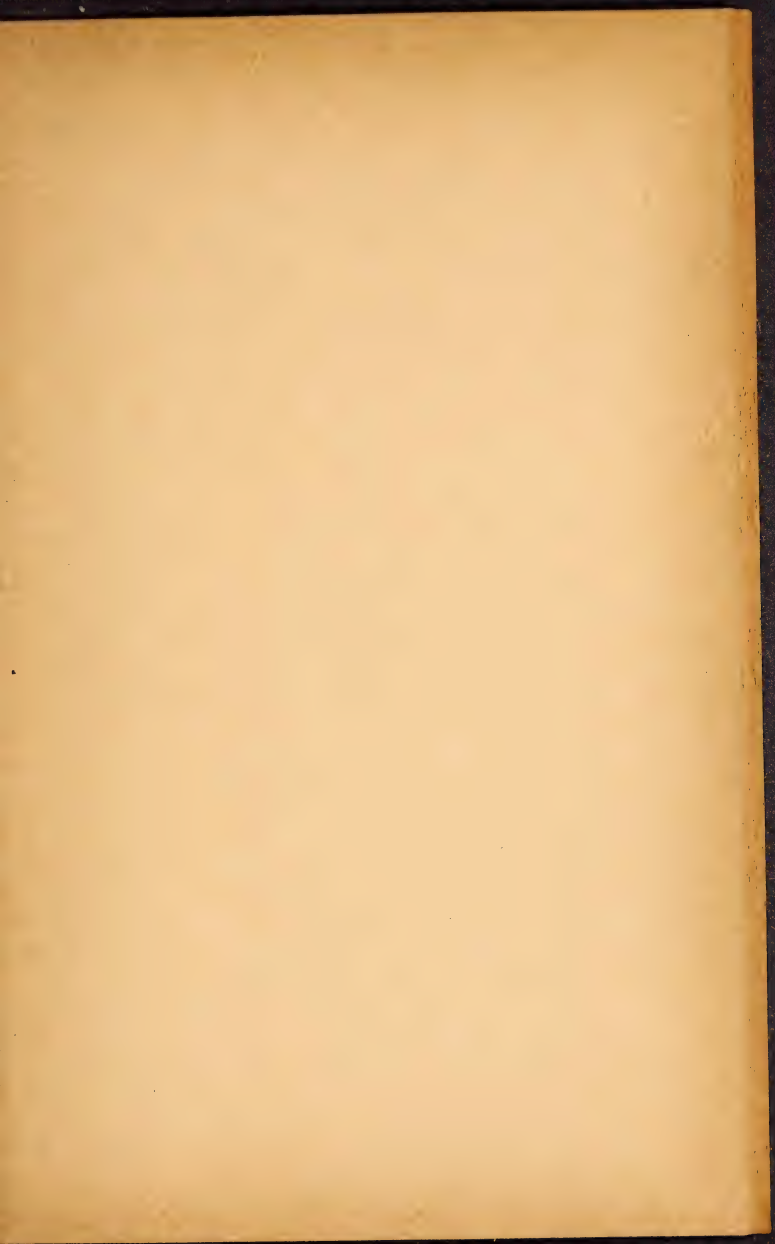




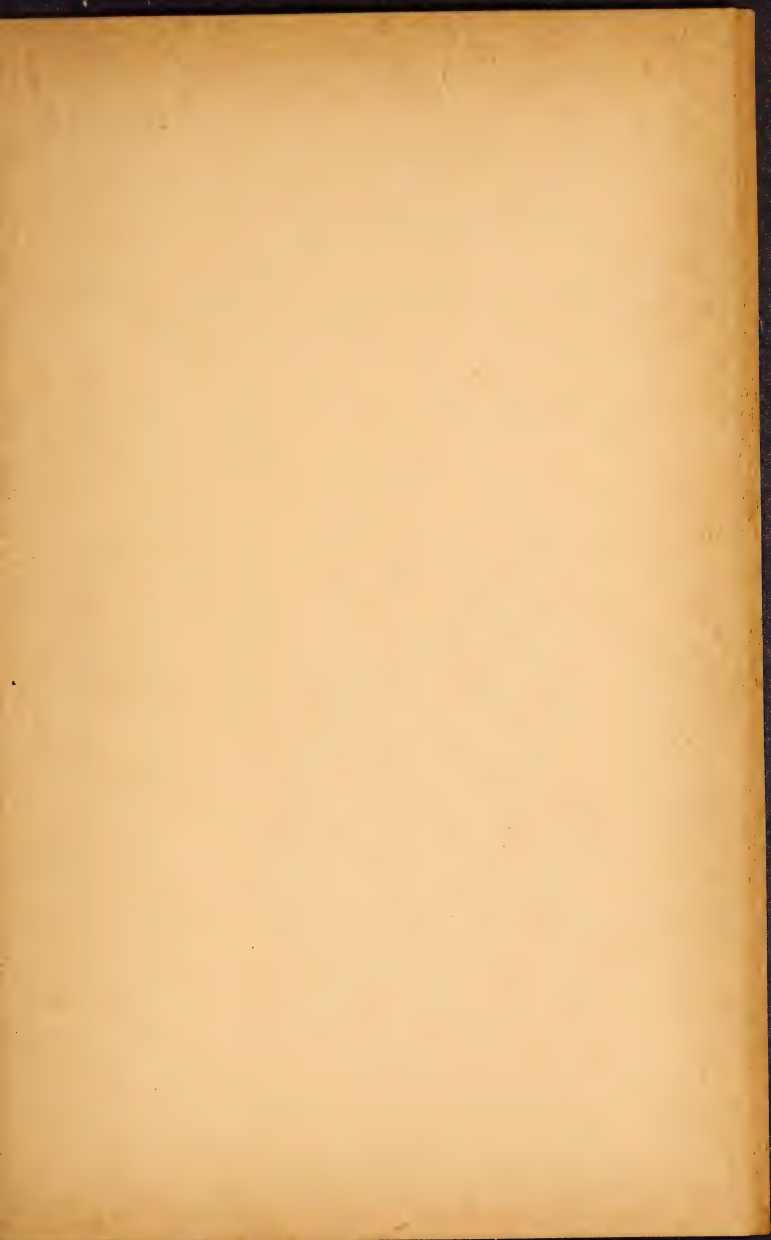








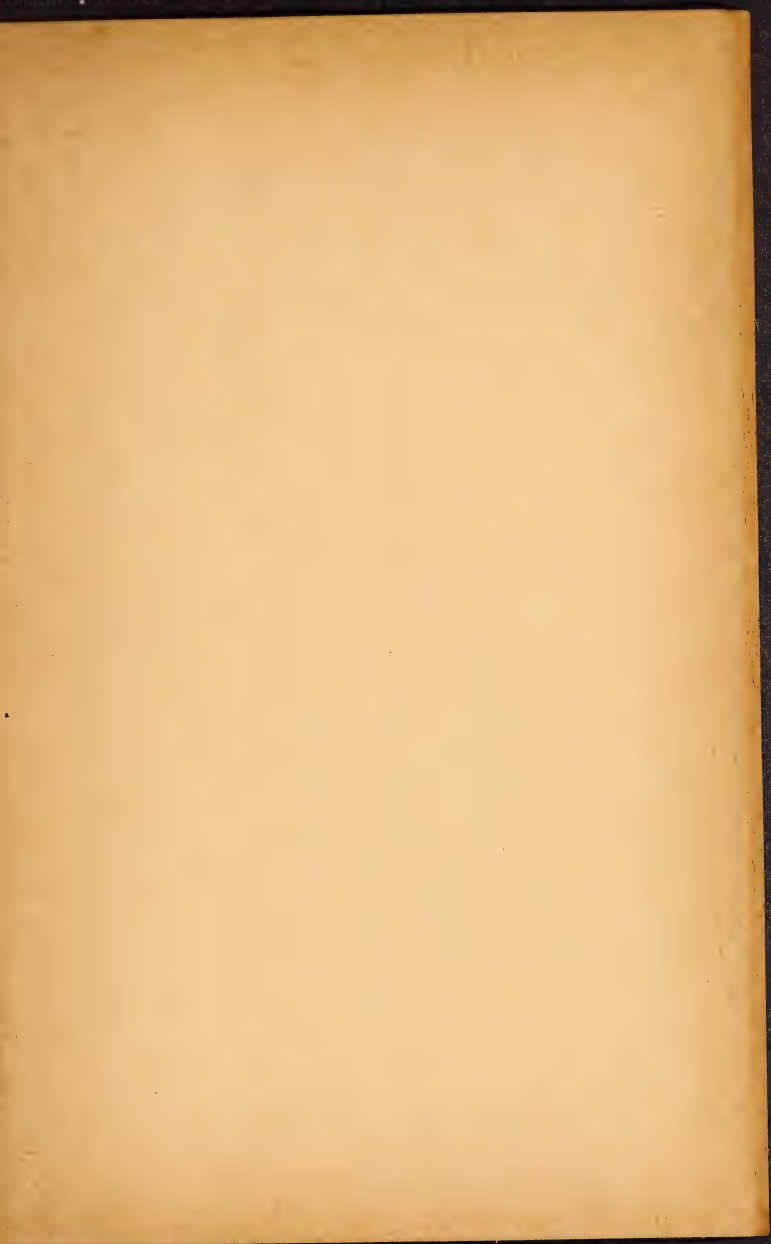




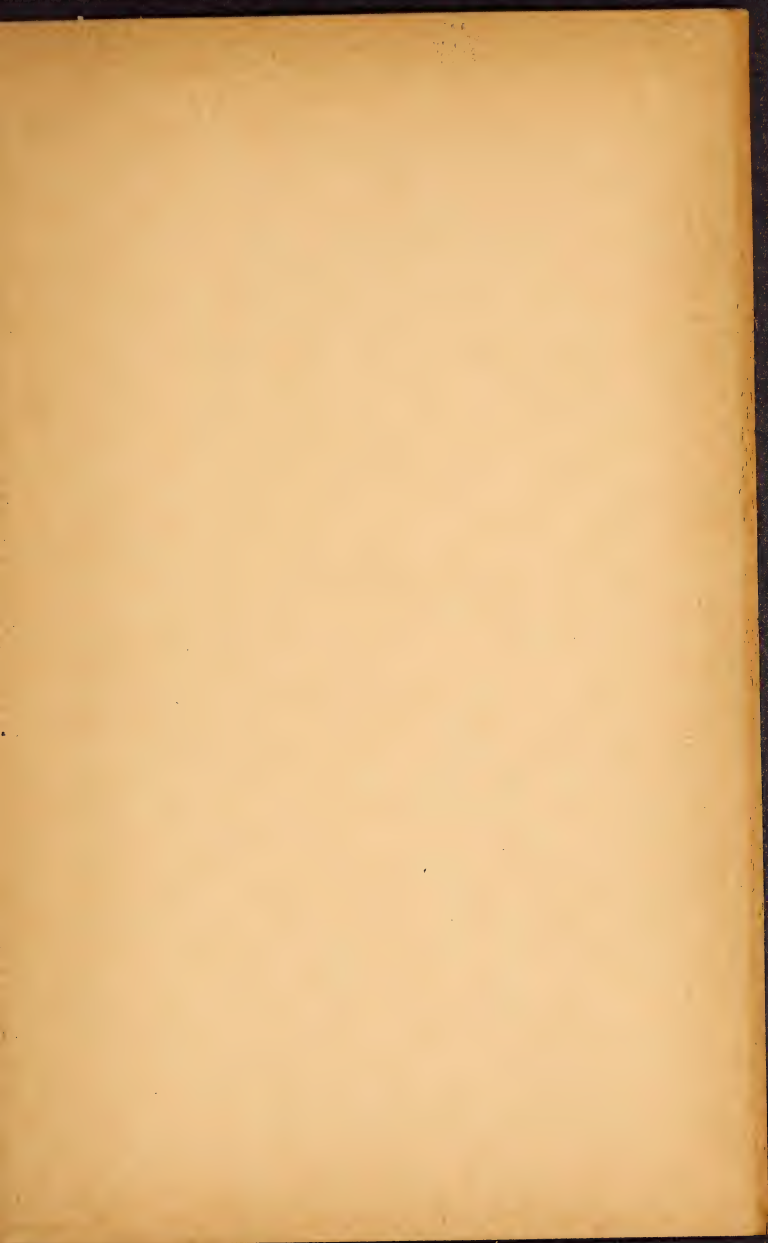




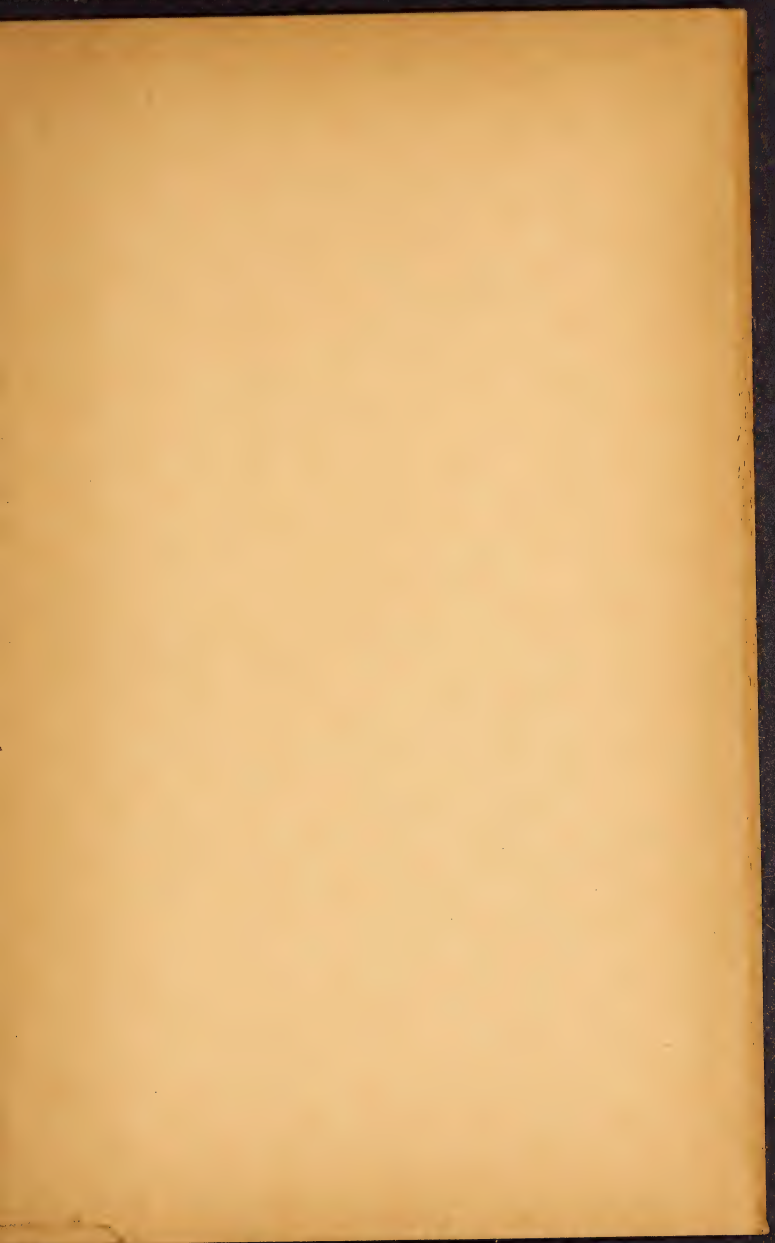


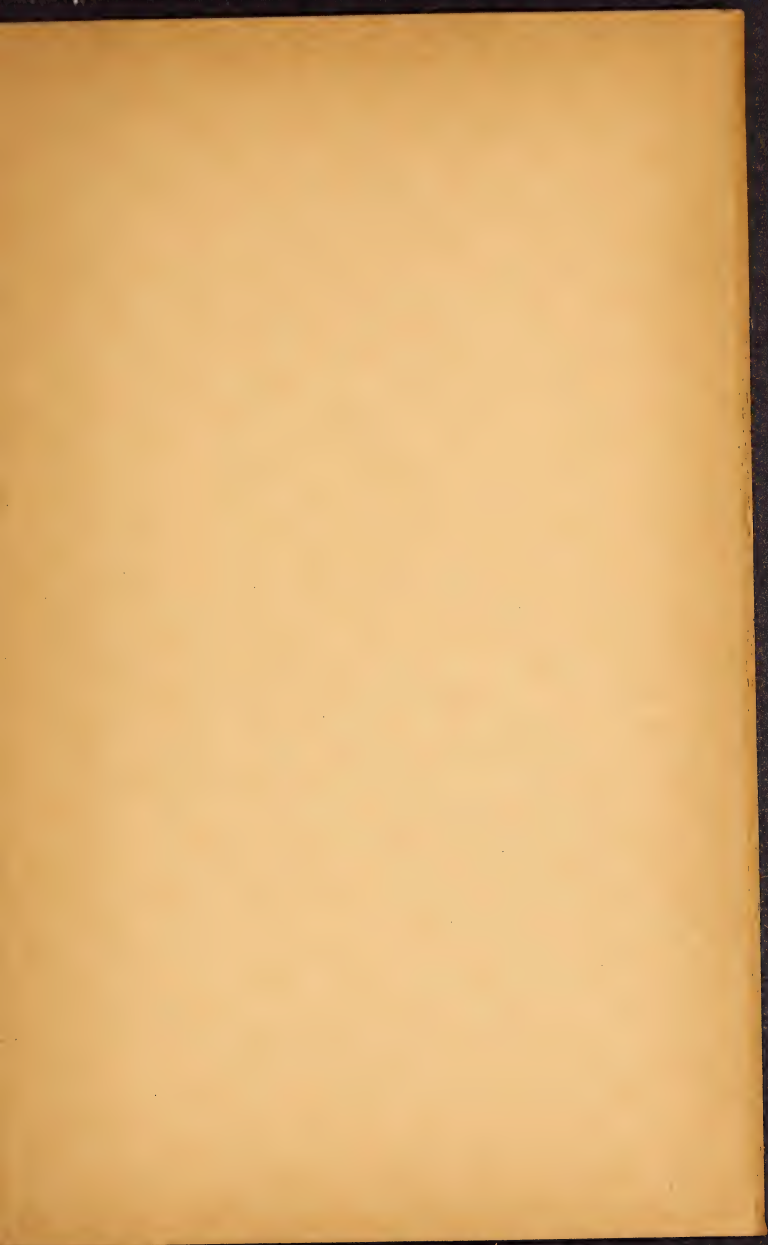




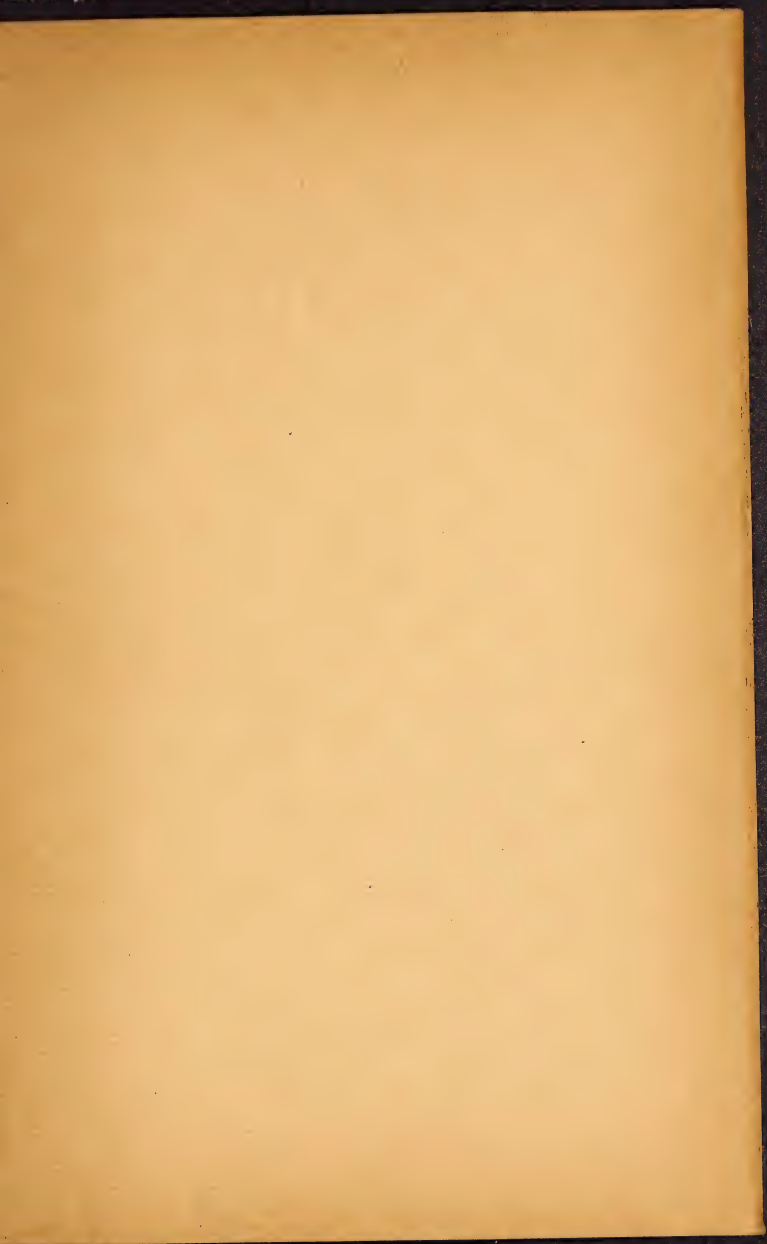


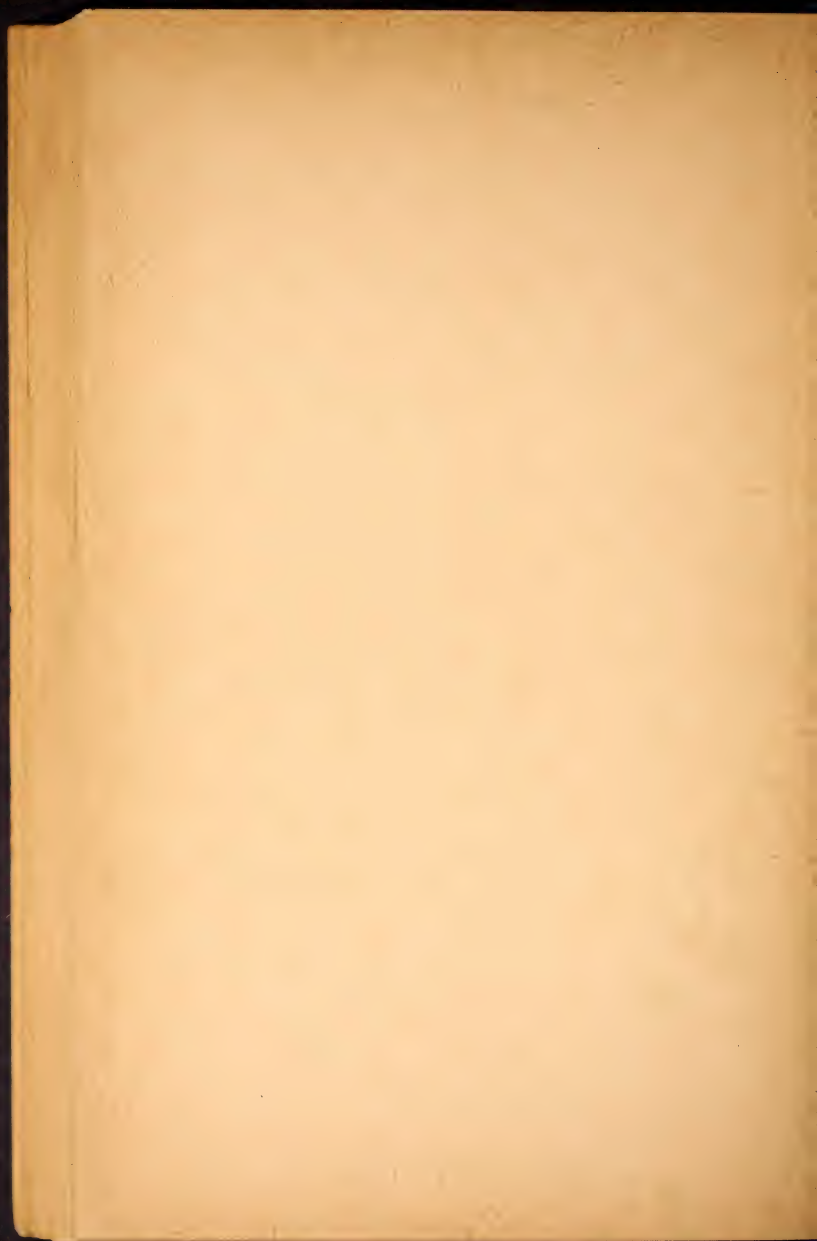












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